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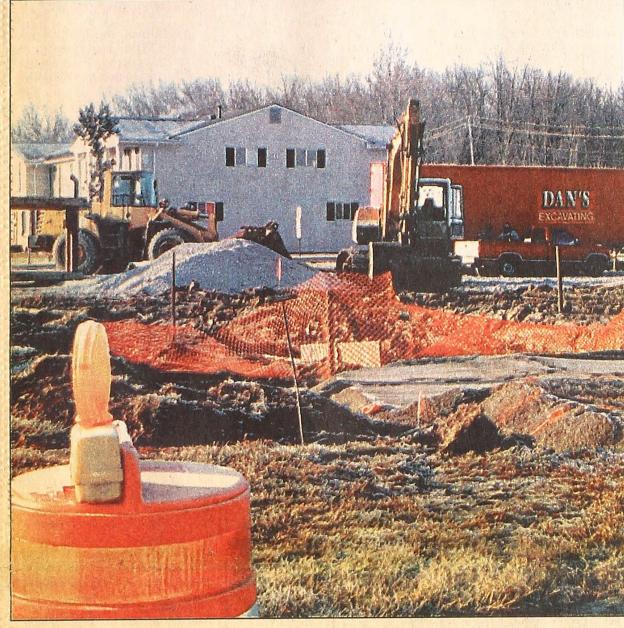
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Top court urged to oust Judge Ferrara



Parents in the Oakbrook Subdivision area, where several months of construction are planned, have been urged to give strong warnings to their children about staying away from work sites and potentially dangerous mountains of dirt. The work effort is expected to continue through April or longer. MCN Special

Parents urged: keep kids away from work sites

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Safety concerns for Romulus school children have been raised by parents based on the current sewer construction efforts in an area serviced by the Merriman Elementary

At this early stage of the construction project that is scheduled to continue into April (or even later) in the area of Colbert and Brandt (off Eureka road), school officials are urging parents to warn their children to remain away from any yellow taped areas that will be indicating current work areas and excavations.

According to the tentative construction schedule the boring of the sewer under Eureka was to be done the first week

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of February and at Brandt was set for this past week.

Then the sewer work for the Colbert/Taft area was be done

between Feb. 16 and March 21. Similar work on the Brandt sewer is slated to occur March 23-April 4.

The tentative schedule also stated "road paving will start in the spring." According to a spokeswoman at Wade Trim Co. the road paving program would not be limited to the current construction area - it

will be city wide. Initially school bus travel will include possible small drop off site changes depending on the daily construction efforts, Norm McLenon, school transportation chief, said last week.

Informational letters were given to Merriman School students last week at the request of Principal Mary Magill. They were to be taken home by the students so their parents could be kept abreast of the con-

struction effort. Parents and/or homeowners also can call the Wade-Trim Co. offices at 291-5400 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays to obtain needed updates in their

area. Dawn Smith, parent coordinator at Merriman School, spoke out at the Romulus City Council meeting Monday night stating she felt there were not enough barricades in the construction area and that there were several days last week that no construction was being done.

Smith also added she would like to see a stronger communication link created between the school, parents and construction teams.

Mayor William Oakley told Smith that the city's contract with the construction team does not dictate how many days a week they are on site. But it is in their best financial interest to finish the job

promptly, the mayor said. A five hour phone outage in the subdivision this past weekend was not created by the construction effort, Oakley revealed, it had to do with some-

thing at Detroit Metro Airport. McLenon contacted Tuesday morning revealed that no serious transportation problem has been brought to his attention. He said only kindergarten, first and second graders are bused to Merriman School. The remainder of the students are usually driven to school by their parents, he said.

The Romulus Roman news staff will monitor the work efforts there and provide updates as needed.

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Only potential leniency from the Michigan Supreme Court can now save suspended Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Andrea Ferrara from losing her job this summer.

On Tuesday the state Judicial Tenure Commission recommended to the top state court that Ferrara be ousted for making anti-African American, Jewish and Arab comments while talking privately on the telephone with her exhusband Howard Tarjeft Jr. over an extended period of time.

Those calls were taped by Tarjeft and used against her at a hearing conducted in the Romulus-based 34th District Court late last year.

The top court's decision is expected to be handed down in six to eight months.

Allan Sobel, executive director of the commission, urged the nine member board to recommend her removal from the bench. The Michigan Supreme Court will have the final say what penalty if any will be enacted against Ferrara -- including being ousted from her \$109,000 judicial post.

Sobel and later former 36th District Court Judge Vesta Svenson, who conducted the hearing into the charges against Ferrera, stressed that the statements alleged to have been made by Ferrara "eroded the public confidence in the courts" and thus fell under the judicial misconduct mode.

Ferrara's co-counsel Mark Bendure argued instead the commission should recommend that Ferrara be given a reprimand stating that her private conversations were an act of freedom of speech and her privacy had been violated by her ex-husband, who taped the conversations and then turned copies over to a Detroit newspaper.

There was no evidence presented that Ferrara displayed any racial or ethnic prejudice in her courtrooms.

Ferrara, who took the fifth amendment several times during her hearing in Romulus, did not testify on her own behalf on Monday.

What ever recommendation the commission announces tomorrow will be sent to the

Michigan Supreme Court -who will have the final say in the matter.

The sporadic hearings were heard in the Romulus-based 34th District Court last fall in the court room usually used by Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green. While great public interest was expressed in the case, the viewer turnout in the courtroom was sparse.

Ferrara never admitted (until Monday) the controversial statements heard were hers, although she admitted several times the voice taped "sounds like me."

Ferrara's attorneys claimed that Ferrara was a victim of emotional spousal abuse and that Tarjeft knew "how to press his ex-wife's hot buttons." Testimony was produced

however by the commission that showed Ferrara and Tarjeft both were experienced "hot button pushers" on each other. While Tarjeft was alerted a

number of times to be in the Romulus courthouse by the defense team as a potential witness, he never was actually called as a witness by them.

2nd judge candidate enters race to succeed Zaborowski

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Retired Wayne County Sheriff's lieutenant and current lawyer Norman C. Kohlstrand threw his hat into the judicial ring Monday to challenge Romulus attorney Brian Oakley for the soon to be vacated judge's position in the 34th District Court.

Kohlstrand, 51, of Huron Township, revealed that he will be seeking election in November to the judge's bench currently filled by retiring Judge Henry Zaborowski.

The only other candidate to date for Zaborowski's seat is Oakley, who announced last December he would make his second try for a judicial position this fall also.

Oakley, son of Romulus Mayor William Oakley, tried unsuccessfully two years ago to oust 34th District Court Judge William Szlinis. In that election it was later noted that about 1,700 voters failed to cast ballots in the judicial race, thinking that their votes would have been covered by hitting the party line designation.

According to Kohlstrand's initial press release, he "attended the Detroit College of Law, where he graduated with honors." He also reportedly served as editor-in-chief of the Law Review. Kohlstrand said he retired

as a lieutenant in the Sheriff's

Department back in 1989 after serving for 16 years. He has practiced law for the last nine In the past, Kohlstrand

served as city prosecutor in both Woodhaven and Dearborn Heights. Ironically Kohlstrand re-

vealed that on his first day as a practicing attorney, he served as a prosecutor for the city of Romulus and continued in that role for five years.

"Even while serving with the Sheriff's Department, Kohlstrand said "I patrolled the streets of Romulus, before they had their own police department."

Kohlstrand said he plans to begin a door to door campaign in a few weeks. He will be seeking to learn voters' opinions on crime issues, since he feels that "crime impacts us all - either through stress or insurance costs.

While serving as a police officer, he said, many fellow officers felt that the victim is the "forgotten one" in many criminal cases.

He and his wife, Kathleen, have three grown children. In addition to various civic involvements, Kohlstrand also is serving his second year as chairman of the Huron Township Planning Commission.

IGA owner seeks city help on slanted sidewalk issue

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Dennis Swaney, owner of the Romulus IGA, is asking for the city's help to correct what he feels is a potentially dangerous situation on the Goddard road side of his grocery

Swaney said he had written to Mayor William Oakley last October about what he considers the dangerous slanted sidewalk outside his store and felt that if the sidewalk becomes severely iced during the winter some pedestrian(s) could become seriously injured via a slip and fall accident.

The store owner said he never received a reply from the city after sending the let-He then appeared as a peti-

tioner at a recent City Council meeting to voice the same concerns. Limited comments came from the city's leaders on the issue that night.

A check with Swaney last week found that he had received no other followup messages from the mayor's office or any council member.

Boys/Girls Club seeks \$100,000

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

A dinner for professional and Romulus High School athletes and local business owners/operators will be held soon as a fund raiser for the planned Romulus Boys/Girls Club, Phyllis Adkins, a club spokeswoman, revealed Tues-

Adkins, principal at Cory Elementary School, revealed the dinner probably will be conducted sometime in March

at the high school and probably will carry a \$50 ticket charge.

In addition to other activ-

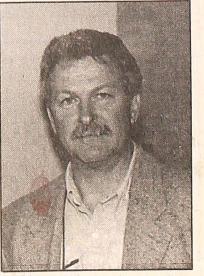
ities that night, Adkins said, a silent auction is being planned. Both Romulus High School alumni athletes and professional players from Detroit teams will be sought to take part, she said.

In addition the club's Marketing Committee is in contact with Coca Cola and IBM officials, since they are major contributors to the national Boys/ Girls Club program.

"We need to provide them with a list of equipment and other items that we will be needing to open our club's doors," she said.

The Boys/Girls Club officials headed by Middle School teacher John Juriga are seeking to raise \$100,000 to start the Boys/Girls Club effort in Romulus.

"We need to raise \$35,000 ourselves," Adkins said, and the national organization will help provide the rest of the



John Juriga

Police Beat

On January 31, Citgo Gas Station on Ecorse Rd. in Romulus called the police to report an attempted theft.

Romulus Reports

An African-American man, about 40 years old entered the store and tried to steal some candy bars. The employee confronted him and a struggle broke out. The man took off on

A hotel at the 8600 block of Merriman was the spot of a suspicious looking vehicle. The woman in the car looked like she was smoking "crack".

Officers made a traffic stop and found a Crack pipe and other drug related objects, as well as what appeared to be a small amount of cocaine. The person was arrested and the car was seized.

Hubcaps were stolen some-

time between Jan. 23 and Jan. 31 from a location in the 8200 block of Merriman Rd. The hubcaps were taken off of a 1993 Buick Regal.

On Feb. 1, someone cut a fence at Watkins Trucking on Harrison Rd. The fence was cut with bolt cutters. The thief stole 3 cases of cigarettes from

Police used the K-9 Unit to help them find their perpetra-

The cigarettes and bolt cutters that were used were found in a field. The thieves got away.

On Feb. 1, Pennsylvania Truck Lines on Airport Drive called police. Their complaint was that shipping seals had been cut on 3 semi-trailers. Plumbing and construction supplies were taken out of the

The items were left laying

on the ground. Nothing was

Metro Liquor Mart on Goddard Rd. called police to let them know that someone tried to break into their store. They tried to pry open the back door of the store. The door was so secure that they weren't able to enter.

On Feb. 2, the owner of a Blue 1998 Ford Expedition called and made a report that the vehicle had been stolen from a lot in the 8700 block of Wickham. The plate number to look for is JXU296.

The truck was stolen sometime between Jan. 31 and Feb.

A 1997 Yamaha four wheeler was reported stolen off a trailer at the Morgan Manor Apartments on Feb. 2. It is described as yellow with

red stickers.

A call came in from a construction site at 28265 Beverly Rd. on Feb. 2. A heating and cooling unit (Carrier Brand) had been stolen from the roof of the location.

A lady went into a BP Gas Station to pay for her purchase. When she arrived back at her car, her purse had been stolen from the seat on Feb. 3.

On Feb. 5, between the hours of 6:45pm and 8:05pm, a Rug Doctor carpet cleaner was stolen out of the rear of a pick up truck from a residence on Goddard Rd.

A visitor at the Matco Truck Stop on Ecorse Rd. reported on Feb. 5 that he was approached by a man armed with a handgun and ordered to give him all his money.

The man escaped in a Beige Oldsmobile 4 dr., plate number PGK768 or PGK766. There were 3 other people in the car with him.

Van Buren Reports

Kmart on Rawsonville Rd. called police and asked them to remove solicitors from their store on Jan. 30 at about 12:40pm.

A person in the 45000 block of Van Born was removed from the location for being drunk and disorderly on Jan. 30 at 3:05pm.

A caller from the 6800 block of Haggerty stated that they had some property damaged. Police responded to the call which came in at 3:15 on Jan.

A warrant was served and arrest was made in the 6700 block of Edwards on Jan. 30.

An arrest was made on Jan. 30 after a call was received at 10pm from the 9700 block of Belleville Rd. for retail fraud.

Van Buren Police received a call at 10:30pm regarding an injury accident at I-275 and Ecorse Rds. They transferred the matter over to the State Po-

A domestic assault on Jan. 30 in the 11000 block of Beckley resulted in one of the persons being arrested.

The same location on the 9700 block of Belleville Rd. called in a retail fraud case at 10:30pm. Another arrest was made.

On Jan. 30 at 10:32 police received a call from the 49000

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block of the South Service Dr. in which there were domestic problems.

Two medical emergencies within minutes of each other were called in on Jan. 30. One from the 10000 block of Van Buren St., the other from the 51000 block of Assembly. Both cases were transered to the fire dept. and in each instance the person was transported to St. Joseph's Hospital.

A wide eyed observer called in to the police and said there was a suspicious vehicle at the Napa store in the early morning hours of Jan. 30. Turned out to be a delivery truck.

A call from the 46000 block of Lake Villa said there were shots being fired. Police went to investigate and could not locate the suspects.

A rollover accident at S. Haggerty and Huron River Dr. at 5:45am on Jan. 30 resulted in a drunk driving arrest.

Leggs Lounge reported trespassers at 3:08am on Jan. 31. Police could not locate the perpetrators when they arrived.

A 911 call came in on Jan. 31 at 9:30am. The caller hung up on the 911 operator. Upon investigating, the police found out there had been family problems which originally prompted the call.

At 12 noon on Jan. 31, it appears the Belleville Museum has a snake on the loose. Ann Arbor Wild Life handled the

A verbal domestic dispute call came from the 46000 block of Lake Villa at 12:45pm. An arrest was made.

A call from the 6100 block of Dellor stated that they had a tel. We hadneited wirebrosibe

The patient was transered to the hospital at 2:30 on Jan 31.

A fight broke out at Wendy's on Jan. 31 at 3:05pm. Police were called to break up the fight, but the people were gone when they arrived.

Lenmore. Police were called to mediate the problem at 4:06pm.

Neighbors were having

problems in te 13000 block of

A mailbox was stolen on Jan. 31 from a location at the 7700 block of Mida.

A call from the 9700 block of Belleville Rd. charged retail fraud. An arrest was made at 7:18pm.

An auto accident on Ecorse and Marlowe on Jan. 31 at 7:30pm resulted in another ar-

A final arrest for Jan. 31 was made at about 8:15pm in the 8900 block of Parkwood. This arrest was due to an outstanding warrant.

A car accident on Belleville Rd. and the S. Service Dr. at 12:27am on Feb. 1 resulted in

Police were called to an address on Oak Lane in the early morning hours of Feb. 1 because someone had some very loud music playing. Police advised them to turn down the

Officers were kind to deliver a message to a resident in the 48000 block of the S. Service Dr. at 3:11am on Feb. 1.

A caller from the 10000 block of Oak Lane said they heard shots being fired.

Police went to investigate at 9:17am on Feb. 1. They found that the people were hunting in and area designated to do

Someone called police to report a fight in progress at the 46000 block of Village Green. An assault and battery report was made.

Another assault and battery report was made from the 49000 block of the S. Service Dr. at 11:31am on Feb. 1.

A car was stolen from the 2000 block of Rawsonville Rd. on Feb. 1 at about 8:10pm.

Fatal pedestrian/car accident

On Feb. 4, at 6:37pm, Canton Police responded to a call of a person walking who was struck by a car at Lilley Rd., North of Cherry Hill.

A 19 year old Canton resident was traveling south bound on Lilley coming up on Cherry Hill. A woman walking with her five year old grand-

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son crossed over Lilley Rd. in the operating room. the path of a black 1995 Pontiac Grand Am.

The 19 year old man driving the car tried to avoid hitting

her, but was not able to. 65 year old Leona Ilardi, of Canton, was taken to St. Joseph Hospital in Ypsilanti. However the woman lost her

The accident is still under investigation by the Canton Police Accident Team. The five year old grandson was not hurt , in the accident. The victim resided close to the area of the





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Hard-luck woman seeks happy home

By CAROL MARSHALL MCN Staff Writer

When life knocks her down, she just gets back up and starts again.

Laura Turner, 34, Canton, says that now, though, she needs some help. Specifically, she needs to find a bigger place to live.

Turner just received some very good news. Her son, who was taken from her by her mother 14 years ago, is finally going to be able to come live with her and her other two sons.

The bad news, she says, is that her current residence, a two bedroom, 700 square foot home, is too small to accommodate her family.

Turner says she is having problems finding a new place to live for several reasons.

When Turner tells her story, she speaks softly, but surely, without any hesitation or embarrassment. Her story is long and she acknowledges her mistakes, but has overcome too many obstacles to carry regret.

First, she said, she and her fiancee cannot pass a credit check.

"Our car was repossessed a couple of years ago," she said.

Turner also said since she has moved a lot, and has not established a long-term residence, she is often looked down on by potential land-

"They treat us like dirt because we were living in a motel. We had kids. We had pets. We didn't have a deposit and rent at the same time because of the cost of the motel. We couldn't pass a credit check," she said.

Turner starts her story at the beginning, back in the Chicago suburbs where she grew

Her story starts like too many other young womens' stories, "I got married when I was 17," says Turner. She was pregnant and did not know what else to do.

Shortly after getting married, she said she realized she made a mistake, but could not annul the marriage because she and her husband had a

Young and inexperienced, she lost custody of her baby. His father took him for a visit and never returned him.

"I went and tried to kill myself, but that didn't work," Turner said, "Then I stole a diamond ring and my mom turned me in. After that, I couldn't prove to the courts that I could take care of him (her son) so I lost him."

Turner said the baby's paternal grandmother has had custody of him since and she has not been allowed to see him.

Then, she said, out of desperation, she took off cross country. It was then that she met the father of her second son, the son who is returning to her. She met him in Texas and She shared a brief encounter with him.

"I guess you could call it a six-day-stand," she said.

Soon after, she found out she was pregnant.

"I never even put him on the birth certificate because he was A.W.O.L.," Turner said.

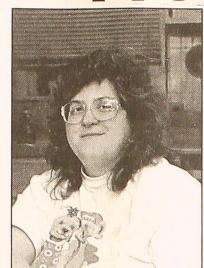
"I moved back in with my mother," she said, "Oh, God."

"She was very supportive during my pregnancy. She made sure I made it to doctor appointments. She was there for me," she said.

And when her son was born, her mother was the first one to hold him.

Turner said after that, things started looking up for a while. When her baby, Michael Ray, was eight months old, she moved out of her mother's home and got an apartment for

herself and the baby. During the move, Turner said she asked her mother if



Laura Turner Photo by Carol Marshall

They treat us like dirt because we were living in a motel.

- Laura Turner

she could watch the baby for two weeks while she got settled and on her feet.

Turner said her mother thought that would be fine, but after the two weeks were up, and it was time to retrieve her son, something went wrong.

the police," said Turner. "So, I did. When we got there, my mom said I couldn't have him." Turner said her mother

"Something told me to take

then produced guardianship

papers.
"I went hysterical," she

"I'm the mother," she pleaded, "I didn't sign anything."

Despite her protests, she was not able to get her son back. She said she was also never able to get any answers about how her mother was al-

lowed to take her baby. Repeating her actions from when she lost her first son, she took off again, this time hitchhiking to Oklahoma City. There, she had another son. They moved to Florida, where she married again. She and her second husband and child moved to South Dakota.

She divorced again, had another child and remarried.

Her third husband, David, Turner and her sons moved again, to Sioux Falls.

It was then she started the search for Michael Ray.

"He (David) said he would do anything to help me get my son back," said Turner.

During the following year, the Turner and her family moved to Michigan and continued the search for Michael

Turner found her son and her mother were living in Atlanta. She also found out that she could have his records sent from his school, including the elusive guardianship papers her mother had shown her years before.

Turner said, however, that someone at Michael Ray's school told her mother about her request for the paperwork.

"They sent me a letter saying my rights as his mother were terminated," she said.

Turner said she was not allowed to see her son, but her mother would let her talk to him on the telephone.

"I tried to get on with my life," she said. She maintained contact with her son, and concentrated on raising the two other boys.

Then, in 1994, Turner would lose someone she loved once

Her husband had quit working in February because he was tired all the time. He grew increasingly ill, and wound up

in the hospital.

"We thought it was pneumonia," she said.

But, in June, David was diagnosed with AIDS and died eleven days later.

She says she has been fortunate-she is HIV negative, and has been tested every six months for three years.

She has also been lucky to find her current fiance.

'My first husband was lazy," she said. "My second one was abusive, and my third husband died on me."

The couple moved to this area in 1995. Their first experience with an apartment here did not go well.

"We wound up moving out of our apartment because our landlord wouldn't fix the heat and my lizard almost died,' she said.

They stayed with friends for a while then moved into a motel, then another motel, because the first one was a "dump.

Then the Turner met someone with a trailer for rent.

"We gave them \$1300 and they gave us the address to mail the rent to every month,' she said.

A month later, a woman who Turner had never met came knocking on the door, demanding to know who was living in her trailer.

"It turns out we were scammed," she said.

But the real owner of the trailer was willing to work with Turner and her fiance, and even told them they could rent to own the trailer.

A few months later, they ran into another wall. The trailer was repossessed. The owner had not made three of the six payments Turner had sent to

So they picked up and moved into another motel.

Turner said all of the moving and changes have been hard on her children.

"One year, they went to four

different schools," she said. Eventually, Turner found someone who was willing to rent to her and her children

and their two poodles. Her fiance borrowed the money for a deposit from his boss and the family had a

place to call home again. Then, Turner got more good news. After Christmas, 1997, her son called. He told her he

wanted to come live with her. Turner's mother has finally agreed to let him go.

But now, her home will not be big enough to accommodate the five of them.

She says this will be hard on her kids.

"They've had a rough life. But we thought we were settled," Turner said. "But now

we have to be uprooted again." She said that she and her fiance currently pay \$800 for rent plus over \$100 for utilities, so she knows they can afford to rent another place.

She also said her current landlord will give her a good reference.

"I want to find a lanlord that will rent to us that won't require a credit check," Turner said. "I need someone that can work with us on the security deposit."

Turner is not used to asking for help. She smiles proudly when she talks about all she has been able to live through, on her own.

"But I'm afraid," she says

She holds a picture of Michael Ray while her poodle affectionately paws at her knee.

"When we lived in the motel, the boys fought so much," she said. "I've tried to tell them things will be different when Michael Ray gets here, but I don't know if they understand.'

She has hope that there is someone out there who can help her make a happy homecoming for her family.



Ted and Nancy Bohlen at home. Photo by Ivan Helfman

Ted Bohlen built own Shangra-La in Superior

By IVAN HELFMAN MCN Staff Writer

Ted Bohlen likes the dirt road passing by the gate to his Go Blue and Gold Ranch in Superior Township.

"It keeps the traffic out," he

But not deer. Hoof tracks dot the snow around his modern split level house that he built with his wife Nancy and five children, three of them former Eagle Scouts. Apple trees, a corn-filled feeder, and two ponds attract the graceful animals. Also foxes, blue

herons, and Canadian geese. "We wanted a Shangri-la, a cottage that we could enjoy every day," he said.

The Bohlens, who had been living in Warren near the GM Tech Center where Ted worked, bought their Superior property in 1981. A lawyer, architect, and engineer, Bohlen worked for GM from 1954 to 1987, ending up in top management.

His architectural and engineering skills came in handy when the family decided to build their home with their own hands.

"We didn't pour the basement or hang the drywall, but we did everything else ourselves," said Bohlen. "We framed it, did all exterior work, installed the plumbing and heating, built the stairwell, and did the stonework."

Inside a magnificent stone fireplace rises to the red cedar cathedral ceiling. It's balanced across a large living-room by a store solarium that collects sun rays. A passive solar system helps a wood burning stove heat the home.

A glassed-in breakfast nook, which overlooks the pond, adds an outdoor feeling to Woven rugs and family pic-

tures add warmth.

Bohlen could spend his days with the deer. When he feeds them at 5 a.m. he talks to them. "Hi guys," he says, calling them to the corn. But deer are skittish around people. Something to do with hunters. The deer jump when they see

Or he could spend all his time traveling, visiting a son in San Diego or a daughter at working at the Philmont Ranch, the 250,000-acre national Boy Scout camp in New Mexico.

But he doesn't. He spends a lot of time bird dogging the Plymouth-Canton Board of Ed-"I wanted to get involved

when we moved out here," he Monitoring the schools follows a successful stint on the Superior Township Board of

Review. "On the board I found out that many small homes were accessed at the maximum and large homes at the minimum," he said. "When when assessments were raised across the board, most of the small homes were automatically over-

assessed." The discovery resulted in the firing of the assessor and may have cost Supervisor Michael Ricky his job, Bohlen said.

His longest community involvement is with the scouts. He's currently the chairman of training for the Detroit-area council.

"I've been with them for 40 years," he said. Longer if you count his own scouting career in the 1940s. "I"ve spent 22 summers at Philmont."

Why the dedication?

"Because the excellent programs give youngsters opportunities for exposure they can't get in school," he said. "I've watched kids blossom there as they take on scout assignments." One of his daughters is run-

ning Philmont's \$2 million a year trading post. Another son postponed a job at General Dynamics to spend a year working at Philmont after college.

Born in 1928 in Detroit, Bohlen hails back to the Depres-"During the Depression

Christmas meant getting a pair of Good Fellows shoes," he

He attended Cass Tech, but quit for 18 months to become a milkman.

"I decided I didn't want a milk route for the rest of my life, so I returned to Cass and studied chemistry and drawing," he said.

The decision to return wasn't made lightly.

"I had to work so I could pay my streetcar fare to go to Cass when I could've gone to Northeastern High for free," he said. "It was my choice. My struggle. I didn't look to anyone for assistance. Nor was any offered. It's different now. They throw everything at you."

Once there he worked hard, finishing high school classes in half the time and earning University of Michigan credits. With \$300 and two beat-up

suitcases, he enrolled at UM. "Tuition then was \$50 a semester," he recalls.

From college he went straight to GM. 44 years he's applying his abilities and experience to try and turn around Plymouth-Canton schools.

Unlike most school board critics, he's unfailingly polite.

"They mean well. They honestly believe they're helping out," he said. "I feel sorry for them. They're in over their head because they don't double check the information they get from the administration that they use to make their decisions. Such as their failure to double check the inflated enrollment projections [that the recent construction bond was

predicated on.]" "The problem is that they're setup to serve the administration's proposes. They can only vote up or down the superintendent's proposals. They have neither the opportunity to change the proposals nor enough data to review them."

To fix the problem Bohlen volunteered to work on a district committee. By lot he was chosen to serve on the finance committee. The committee spent a year

working up a procedure to bid out professional services intended to cut costs in half. "Ann Arbor bids out their services and they cut their

costs in half in five years," he But the committee's proposal was rewritten by administration before it was adopted

by the board. "The board didn't understand it and allowed the administration to remove the teeth from our proposal so they still don't bid out profes-

sional services," he said. He's also troubled by the schools' curriculum, particularly the "School to Work"

"In explaining the program, US Secretary of Education Riley refers to students as 'human capital.' I don't want my children to carry that kind of label. I want parents and students to have choice. If we're going to screw up, let the par-

ents do it. "In Michigan Gov. Engler established the program by executive order and the district established it as their longrange curriculum. Unfortunately nobody on the board ever checks on how things

work."

follows:

Washtenaw County:

Ypsilanti Township

Wayne County Regional

Date: January 20, 1998

Educational Service

Van Buren Public Schools

Publish: February 12, 1998

Please be advised pursuant to (MCL211.44). The Statutory deadline to receive payment of 1997 property taxes without a late penalty charge is February 14, 1998. This date is a Saturday and the following Monday is a holiday. Therefore, February 17, 1998 will be the 1998 deadline to receive taxes without penalty.

COUNTY TREASURER'S

STATEMENT

I, Catherine McClary, Treasurer of Washtenaw County, Michigan,

hereby certify that as of January 20, 1998, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax

limitation established by the Constitution of the Michigan, in any local

units of government affecting the taxable property located in Van

Buren Public School District, Washtenaw County, Michigan,, is as

.25 mill (parks)

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A call from a location on Belleville Rd. at 3:18am on Feb. 2 resulted in an arrest due to retail fraud.

A warrant arrest was made at 9:44am on Feb. 2 from a location on Harmony Lane.

WAYNE COUNTY TREASURER STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ, County Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of January 7, 1998 the total of all voted increases in excess of the Constitutional fifteen mill tax rate limitation and the years such increases are effective are as follows affecting the taxable property of the Local Unit:

VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS City of Belleville and Townships of Canton, Sumpter and Van Buren Wayne County, Michigan

LOCAL UNIT	DATE OF ELECTION	VOTED INCREASE	YEARS INCREASE EFFECTIVE
County of Wayne	August 7, 1990	1 mill	1997 thru 1999
Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency	August 6, 1996 November 8, 1988	1 mill 1 mill	1997 Indefinitely 1997 Indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 2, 1988	1 mill	1997
Van Buren Public Schools	August 6, 1996	18 mills	1997 thru 2001

Signed: RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ Wayne County Treasurer

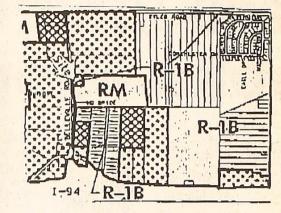
Dated: January 7, 1998 Publish: February 12, 1998

cause the caller said someone was playing some loud music at 10:45pm. When police arrived, all was quiet. Police were called to the

Wayne Police called Van Buren to inform them that they had apprehended a fugitive they wanted. Van Buren reponded and made the arrest at 4:14pm.

A caller from Harbour Club said there was an drunk person walking around the area. The person was taken back to his apartment and put inside

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN



NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 6-2-92 AS AMENDED PROPOSED REZONING MAP NO.: 01-13-98

Second reading for adoption.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6-2-92 BEING THE AMENDED ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Zoning Map in connection with the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Van Buren shall be amended so that the zoning of the following described property to wit.

Map No. 01-13-98.

To rezone the following from R-1B to C. Legal Description of Property:

A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION #15, PARCEL NUMBER V-125-83-058-99-0011-000

Property more commonly known as 10145 BE-LLEVILLE ROAD

Section 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinance in conflict herewith are repealed hereby to the extent of such conflict. This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption and Section 3. publication.

Section 4. Adoption: This ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting, called and held on the 3rd day of February, 1998.

YEAS: Clark, Hart, Herman, Rochowiak, Budd, King and Foster. uis as a negative but to make

NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

ure this is too final case," I hereby certify that Ordinance 6-2-92, Map No. 01-13-98 was published in the Belleville Enterprise, a newspaper circulating withing the Charter Township of Van Buren.

Cindy C. King, Township Clerk I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance.

Helen Foster, Supervisor

Adopted: February 3, 1998 Published: January 22, 1998 February 12, 1998 Effective: February 12, 1998

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 3, 1998

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present: Supervisor Foster, Clerk King, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Clark, Trustee Hart, Trustee Herman, and Trustee Rochowiak. Absent and excused: None. Other in attendance; Public Safety Director Perkins, Director of Development Kelley, Community Services Director Long, Deputy Fire Director Smolen, Lt. K. Brooks, Water and Sewer Operations Director Payton, Executive Assistant Ireland, Secretary Payne and an audience of twenty-one.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion Clark, support Budd to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Motion Hart, support Herman to open the public hearing to consider allocation of the 1998-1999 Community Development Block Grant Funding. Carried.

Supervisor Foster stated this is the first of two public hearings to be held to receive input from the community for CDBG projects. The second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 17,, 1998, during the regularly scheduled Board Meeting. CDBG projects must meet the following criteria: benefit low and moderate income people, aid in the prevention of slum and blight or meet other urgent community needs. CDBG funds are some of the last federal monies returned to local communities. The allocation for 1998-1999 is \$108,000. Interested persons with project ideas may contact the Community Services Department at 699-8926, the Supervisor's Office at 699-8910 or by written comment sent to the Township Offices at 46425 Tyler Rd. Belleville, MI 48111. The deadline for consideration of project ideas is February 17, 1998.

There being no further discussion a motion was made to close the public hearing.

Motion Clark, support Hart to close the public hearing. Carried.

Motion King, support Clark to open the public hearing to consider the special approval request by Tech Express Corporation to operate a truck stop on parcels of land located in the southwest quarter of Section #1, parcel numbers V-125-83-003-99-0020-000, V-125-83-003-99-0021-000, V-125-83-003-99-0022-000, and V-125-83-003-99-0024-001, a total of 7.15 acres. Carried.

Tech Express Corporation is seeking approval to construct and operate a truck stop at 41358 Ecorse Road and several adjoining parcels. The location is the northeast corner of Haggerty and Ecorse Roads, just west of I-275. The proposed facility would have short term parking for semi-trucks and recreation vehicles, a fast food restaurant, laundry facilities, truck wash and fueling stations. The proposed special use has been recommended for approval by the Planning Commission with certain conditions. The conditions are short term parking, no overnight parking, submission of a traffic study twelve months after the opening of the facility, existing trees on the site be retained or replaced if damaged during construction, appropriate hours of fuel delivery, particular signs to be erected, site lighting, and the environmental issue of engines left running.

Jay Cates, on behalf of the owners, spoke at length about the proposed site, the planning and approval process and compliance with the Planning Commission recommendations.

There being no further discussion a motion was made to close the public hearing.

Motion Hart, support Rochowiak to close the public hearing. Carried. MINUTES: Motion Rochowiak, support Hart to approve the Work Study Session Minutes of January 12, 1998, as presented. Carried.

Motion Clark, support Budd to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 13, 1998, as presented. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Motion Herman, support Clark to approve the second reading of the request to amend the Zoning Map, (a part of Ordinance 6-2-92), to rezone a parcel of land commonly known as 10145 Belleville Road, parcel number V-125-83-058-99-0011-000, from R-1B (single family residential) to C (local business), per the findings and minutes of the Planning Commission in a regularly schedule meeting held November 12, 1997, noting the exception to the planning consultant's letter dated November 6, 1997. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Clark, Hart, Herman, Rochowiak, Budd, King and Foster. Nays: None. Absent and excused: None. Carried.

(*A synopsis of the rezoning follows the minutes. The rezoning is also available for review in the Clerk's Office, 46425 Tyler Rd., Belleville, MI during regular business hours Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to

NEW BUSINESS: Motion Herman, support King to approve the

special approval request by Tech Express Corporation to construct and operate a truck stop at 41358 Ecorse Road, (parcel number V-125-83-003-99-0020-000, V-125-83-003-99-0021-000, V-125-83-003-99-0022-000, and V-125-83-003-99-0024-001), that all parcels be combined into a single parcel, that strict compliance with noise and lighting levels as per the Zoning Ordinance be observed, and that all findings by the Planning Commission in a regularly scheduled meeting held January 13, 1998, including the minutes of that meeting as well as the letter of the township planning consultant dated January 7, 1998, be made part of the special approval conditions; that all parking lot illumination levels be according to the Zoning Ordinance, and that noise and engines left running while the vehicles are parked in the parking lot comply with Township Ordinance. Carried.

Motion Budd, support Clark to adopt Resolution 98-03 Poverty Exemption Guidelines for Van Buren Township as presented. Carried. Motion Clark, support Rochowiak to adopt Resolution 98-04 Belleville Area Council for the Arts as presented. Carried.

Motion Clark, support Budd to accept the Community Services Director's recommendation to reappoint Ken Askew, Lenore Cicotte, Joy-Ann Ferris, Keith Johnston, George Kennedy, Walter Skszek, Loretta Speaks and Dawn Wolf to an additional term on the Recreation Committee with terms to expire February 28, 1999. Carried.

Motion King, support Clark to approve the Gypsy Moth Intergovernmental Contract for the Federal Spray Program at a cost to the Township of \$5,371.20 for the spraying of 288 acres of land in the township and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract, Carried.

Motion King, support Budd to approve the purchase of ADA accessible equipment from Door-o-matic with a total cost of the project not to exceed \$12,600 to be expensed from Community Development Block Grant Funding, specifically account number 97-30TA-10 "Removal of Barriers" in accordance with the information provided in Director Long's January 28, 1998, memo to the Board. Carried.

VOUCHER LIST: Motion Budd, support Clark to approve the February 3, 1998, voucher list as presented. Carried. REPORTS: Supervisor Foster ordered the November and December

1997, Public Safety Reports received and filed. ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Belleville Area Museum will re-open on February 10, 1998.

Township offices will be closed on Monday, February 16, 1998, in observance of President's Day.

The Father-Daughter Dance scheduled for Friday, February 6, 1998, is sold out. Reservations are now being taken for the second dance scheduled For Saturday, February 7, 1998 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Cost is \$8.00 is couple.

Babysitter Club meets on February 7, and 14, 1998, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

T'ai Chi classes are held on Fridays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A Ballroom Dance Social will be held on Saturday, February 28, 1998, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The confidential tip telephone number is 699-8940.

Please reserve 9-1-1 for life threatening emergencies only. The nonemergency telephone number is 699-8940. Due to the February 16, 1998 holiday, the Work Study Session will be

held on Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at 4:00 p.m. prior to the 7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting.

The deadline for the 1998 winter taxes has been extended to Friday, February 27, 1998. Taxes may also be paid at NBD and Comerica banks. Also, the township has a 24-hour drop box located in the Public Safety Department.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at the Belleville First United Methodist Church from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. the Belleville Rotary is sponsoring an all you can eat spaghetti dinner. Cost is \$7.00 per person.

On Friday, February 13, 1998, there will be a public debate regarding the school millage. The debate will take place at the Belleville High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, February 14, 1998, the Community Committee for Continued Educational Excellence is sponsoring a pancake breakfast at the Belleville First United Methodist Church from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Hart, support King to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Helen Foster, Supervisor

Cindy C. King, CMC Township Clerk

Approved:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION **FEBRUARY 21, 1998** VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS COUNTIES OF WAYNE AND WASHTENAW, MICHIGAN

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the special election will be held in the Van Buren Public Schools, Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, Michigan, on Saturday, February 21, 1998, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, for the purpose of voting on a Sinking Fund Millage Proposal, which is set forth below:

Shall the Van Buren Public Schools, Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, State of Michigan, create a sinking fund for the purpose of constructing two new elementary schools, a high school music addition, and media and multipurpose additions for two elementary schools and replacing and adding components of the air quality and temperature control systems in all schools buildings, by increasing the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the school district by 1.30 mills (\$1.30 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of twenty (20) years, 1998 to and including 2017? It is estimated that 1.30 mills would raise approximately \$1,136,029 in the first year it is levied.

Each person voting on the above must be:

(a) A citizen of the United States of America over eighteen (18) years of age;

(b) A registered elector of the City or Township in which he or she

The places of voting for the special election to be held on February 21, 1998 will be as follows:

PRECINCT #1 PRECINCT #3 PRECINCT #5 Belleville High School Haggerty Elem. School Rawsonville Elem.

(Food Service Center) School 501 W. Columbia Avenue 3110 Grove Road Ypsilanti, MI 48198 Belleville, MI 48111 PRECINCT #2 PRECINCT #4

PRECINCT #6

Elwell Elem. School Tyler Elementary School 17601 Elwell Road 42200 Tyler Road Belleville, MI 48111 Belleville, MI 48111

This notice is given by the order of the Board of Education of the Van Buren Public Schools, Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, Michigan.

> Ralph Nodwell Secretary, Board of Education Van Buren Public Schools Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, Michigan

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Dated: February 2, 1998 Publish: February 12, 1998

North Middle School

Belleville, MI 48111

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School bulletin board

Plymouth-Canton hosts girls math, science conference

By CAROL MARSHALL MCN Staff Writer

A teenage girl's priority list: Boys. Clothes. The phone. Cal-

The last item may not really be on the top-ten list of favorite things to do for most girls, but according to Curt Perry, maybe it should be.

Perry, curriculum coordinator for Plymouth-Canton schools, says, "Because of the technology we have in the world today, everywhere we go, we're being bombarded by technology."

To help middle school age

girls keep their interest in math and science, Plymouth-Canton schools will host the 7th Annual GEMS (Girls Excel in Math and Science) Confer-

"It shows them that there are some exciting and fun things to do with math and science," Perry said.

The conference is a one-day affair, with activities designed to educate and entertain the

"It basically came about from the need to make sure the girls knew the importance of studying math and sciences in high school and beyond,"

He said he strongly encourages parents to come with their daughters, and there will be programs just for them.

'We don't want parents just dropping the kids off. We want the parents to share the experience," Perry said.

The parents will be given information about the reasons why girls need to study math and science and things they can do to encourage their daughters.

Perry said parental participation in the conference gives the girls support and a very important message. "It gives it

(studying math) that sense of importance, and we're telling the parents there is this opportunity and need to channel their daughters' interests."

Perry said the conference is a great opportunity for the girls because it is designed for

"While the regular classroom offers many activities for both girls and boys to excel, this conference is geared to be more specific to girls' needs. Girls have typically been under represented in math and science classrooms," Perry

The conference will offer

"hands-on" sessions, including "Smart Cards! Magic with numbers," "Who kidnapped Brad Pitt? Crime solving with Chromatography," and "Snail Olym-

"Role Model sessions" will allow the girls to meet with women who work in a variety of interesting math and science

"These people aren't just the ones walking around with pocket protectors," Perry said.

The conference is open to sixth, seventh and eighth grade students and will be held Saturday, March 21 at

Washtenaw Community College

Plymouth-Canton High School. To register, pick up a registration form at the school's office or at the Curriculum Center at 1024 S. Mill, Plymouth, fill it out and return it by Feb. 20.

The cost is \$5 per participant or \$10 per parent/student pair.

Perry advises students and parents to respond quickly because there is limited space and sessions will filled on a first come, first serve basis. For more information about attending or helping with the conference call the Curriculum Center at 416-3005.

Residents question board on bond

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

With just one week to go before the bond election, supporters and opponents showed up at Monday night's school board meeting to voice their opinions to the board members.

Cliff Johnson said, "I wholeheartedly support this bond. I urge residents who want the respect of the community to do something for the children and lay aside the negativism."

He said the Metro Democratic Club supports the bond. Susan Byrum, vice president Local #1483, which repre-

sents district custodians, food service, transportation and warehouse staff said, "We fully support this bond issue."

She said contrary to published reports, the union voted unanimously to support the bond.

Other residents still had questions.

"What plan is in place to make sure this doesn't happen again? People aren't looking at this as a negative but to make sure this is the final case,' asked Kevin Hendricks.

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- Gregory Baracy

Dr. Gregory Baracy, superintendent, responded, "Things are wearing out and equipment is breaking down."

He compared the state of some of the buildings to an old

"You can only dump so much money into an old vehicle. Eventually you have to trade it in," he said.

With new equipment the district will be able to get back to a preventative maintenance plan, he said.

"I look at it as retooling," Baracy said. "Ford retools every year,"

Hendricks said. Baracy said this bond will allow the district to get out of crisis management.

Hendricks asked if there was a plan for additional funding in the near future.

There is not Baracy said. Tom Mari wanted to know why roof were let leak so long

they destroyed ceilings and "I think someone needs to be held accountable," he said.

"I will be voting yes but I would like to see some accoun-He said eventhough the bond may not be able to be

used for salaries, it will free

up money in the general fund

that can. "It's like a game of words," he said.

Teresa Robbins asked if the bond fails on Feb. 17 will it be

run again in June. Baracy said that is a possi-

Trustee David Cox said the repairs to the schools have not been neglected they just can't be patched anymore.

"It's like trying to stop leaks in a colander," he said.

"This bond issue isn't our bond issue. All those floors, parking lots and ceilings are yours," he said.

announces honors recipients These students have earned a grade point

Washtenaw Community College part-time students who have achieved academic excellence were recently announced. These students have earned a grade point average of 3.7 or better and have accumulated at least 15 credit hours while attending WCC part-time. The students earned these honors while enrolled for three consecutive semesters between January 1996 and May 1997. The following students were honored at the WCC Winter Houses Convocation in December.

Belleville students honored

Anthony J. Baziotes, Gary Allen Chauvin, Patricia M. Gorham, Vanessa Suzanne Neil, Deborah L. Reid, Linda K. Stakley, Cheryl D. Strange-Laetsch, Christopher Sulfridge, Michelle Y. Toruta, Rebecca R. Van Valkenburgh and Patricia A. Weimert.

Romulus students honored

Lyle L. Pallion, Jr.

average of 3.7 or better and have accumulated at least 15 credit hours.

Canton students honored

Misty D. Gueller, April E. Hall, Stacey L. Hamilton, John M. McIe, Renee S. Pawlicki and Debjani Sarkar.

New Boston students honored were:

Kimberly M. Green.

Navy Airman Apprentice Ryan S. Dahlman, son of Robert D. Robin A. Dahlman of Canton, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training and was meritoriously promoted to his promoted to his present rank at Recruit Training Come mand, Great Lakes, Ill.

He is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Marine Sgt. Steven C. Sullivan, a 1991 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School of Canton, recently departed on a six-month deployment to Okinawa, Japan, with 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines.

He joined the Marine Corps in June 1991.

Navy Lt. Thomas V. Evanoff, son of Thomas V. Evanoff of Westland, recently participated in Exercise Invitex while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the guided missile cruiser USS South Carolina, home ported in Norfolk, Va.

The 1983 graduate of John Glenn High School of Westland, joined the Navy in May 1987. Evanoff is a 1987 graduate of the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill., with a MAE degree.



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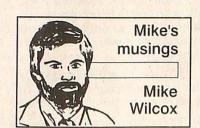
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Get behind frugal district, vote 'Yes'

After two previous attempts Van Buren Schools has finally offered a bond proposal that voters can support. The bond proposal which goes before voters on February 21, totals \$30,000,000, a far cry from the \$50 million plus the school board was asking for last time around.

Yet, the \$30,000,000 can do a lot of good for Van Buren. For instance part of the money will be used to build two new elementary schools, not necessarily to accommodate a new influx of students, but rather to replace two very old structures -- Edgemont which was built 42 years ago and Rawsonville which has stood for 44 years. These buildings are old, outdated and terribly overcrowded. The \$11,000,000 targeted for their replacement is money well spent.

One-million dollars is earmarked for a music addition at Belleville High School and another for a media center and multi-purpose room at Elwell and Haggerty elementaries. Despite an excellent music program, I am told students must make do with the bare necessities. Likewise, the overcrowding at Elwell and Hag-



gerty is not conducive to optimal learning. Again, the bond passage could alleviate these problem areas.

The bond issue which would be paid off over a 20year period, means an additional 1.3 mills assessed on current and future homes and businesses. In real dollars that means a homeowner with a residence valued at \$100,000 would pay an additional \$65 a year. Many of us have a monthly cable television bill that's greater than that.

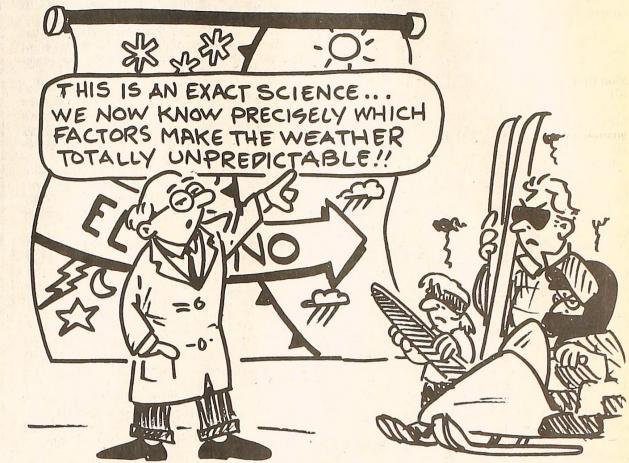
As in the past, the proposal has its critics. School Board Trustee Tom Bowles and citizen activist Harry Van Gelder articulately argue that the Durant settlement money, swapping insurance carriers and privatizing school bus service would provide more money yearly than the bond, without heavy interest payments. It is projected that interest payments on the bond could approach \$16 million.

But other school board members don't see those solutions as viable swapping health insurance would create an uproar amongst employees and the mere mention of privatizing bus services in the past has created tremendous animosity within the district.

And Bowles and other opponents of free spending can take heed that their criticism has worked. During the last two years, the district has cut more than \$400,000 from the budget - largely in response to the criticism and failed millage attempts.

I don't think that there is any question that Superintendent James Richendollar and his crew have gotten the message. They understand that the majority of voters want their schools to be operated frugally and responsibly. People like Tom Bowles have pounded that message home.

This time around, this bond issue is both frugal and responsible. Voters should finally get behind their school board and administration and approve the proposal in the voting booth on February 21.



Then I read the local newspapers and it disturbs me. I find that there are some people who feel that by changing the teachers insurance benefits and privatizing transportation among other things would save money. I for one don't buy it, and hope the people of this community see this for what it

In talking with educators, parents, and reading our local newspapers along with attending school functions, you become more aware of the many needs of our schools throughout this district. The needs are real. Repairs and continuous improvements are needed in our existing schools. There is a need to add on to our schools, as in the case at Belleville High School for a music wing.

These improvements will eliminate safety issues and the problems of our crowded class rooms. It will also help to eliminate the everyday stress and strain that our crowded classrooms have on teachers and students a like. These improvements are also to our benefit as homeowners and businesses in the community. Let's take a stand now, we are a growing community. Let us be committed to our educational system. When it thrives, we as a community will thrive as

Morris Altizer Belleville

Modern kids want, need discipline

To the editor:

I am writing in regards to the disgusted citizen about "Kids run wild, authorities do nothing" column on Dec. 21,

My girlfriend and I live in Wayne and have talked with many parents about what is going on. It's not just here in Wayne, or Inkster, or Westland it's going on everywhere in the United States because of the laws. There is no such thing as

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Zippergate killed Valentine's Day

By IVAN HELFMAN MCN Staff Writer

Missing from our front page is a Valentine's Day story. This breaks a February tradition for weekly newspapers, who usually where their hearts on their mastheads.

Why no Valentine's Day

I blame it on the president. Hasn't Bill Clinton destroyed romance?

Ever since Zippergate, nobody talks about romance, only presidential sex. Clinton jokes - which I can't repeat abound at work, on the Tonight Show, with friends, and on the

Even the best newspapers contain cheesy stories. I clipped this from the Electronic Telegraph:

President Clinton privately admitted that he was a sex addict, one of his former mistresses [claimed] on a television show broadcast [Tuesday].



Dolly Browning, a childhood friend who says she had a decades-long affair with Mr. Clinton, says he confessed his affliction to her in 1987. Mrs. Browning says she asked: "Did you ever think you might be a sex addict?" Mr. Clinton nodded, she says, and said: "I know I am and I've tried to overcome it."

Could you read a Valentine's Day story on the heels of

This story and hundreds like it have driven romance out of the public conscious-

It's probably done worse to adolescents watching Tom Brokow or Peter Jennings talking dirty on the evening news.

"What do you tell children about the President's behavior

in Character Counts?" I asked Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, founder of the characterbuilding group

"We teach them to be fair until all the evidence comes in," he said.

Meanwhile all the evidence comes in and is described in unromantic terms. When, where, and how the president obtains gratification is graphically described. No mention of romance. No mention of

When it comes to Zippergate, every American has become a Peeping Tom. In this way (and only this way), it's more degrading to follow this scandal and wallowing in presidential sex then it was to follow the OJ trial.

If there's a lesson in this, it's that relationships must remain private to retain their romance. Public airing of sex, even presidential sex, is the kiss of death for romance - for Valentine's Day.



Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both. His motto: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes.

A Few Bad Apples Even The Worms Won't Touch

Dear Mr. Ross: I am so sick of the scorn and malice I've received from society. I'm a physically challenged person-wheelchair bound for all eternity. I've accepted the car accident that put me here. I've accepted that my legs have been replaced with the wheels of my chair. What I can not and will not accept is the rude treatment I receive after I leave my apartment. Either I'm treated as a leper by people who refuse to come near me, or I'm treated as a lost causesomeone who has nothing to contribute. I am neither. What I am is a person-just like you, who has feelings and goals. If you would send me \$500 I could enroll in a home study course for computers. The balance can be made in monthly installments. I desperately need this to reclaim my life. The dreariness of sitting and staring at these 4 walls is getting to me. Help me prove that I can be just as productive as anyone else.

Mr. D. A. ... Register-Herald, Beckley, WV

Dear Mr. A.: I don't think you've accepted your situation as well as you claim. I have news for yousociety as a whole can be very cruel. No matter what your station in life is, you will encounter people who are nasty due to impatience, intolerance, prejudice and run-of-the-mill stupidity. The upside is there are still plenty of good people who are willing to help. I'd like to think you've just encountered one of them because my \$500 is in the

Dear Mr. Ross: Two weeks ago I told our 16 year old son that he was adopted. He didn't take the news well and I fault myself. We should have told him years ago. It was horrible the way it came out. In a heated argument, which started over him wanting to use our car, I screamed at him that he was no son of mine. One thing led to another and the truth was told.

Ever since then he's been distant and apathetic. Mr. Ross, I love our son, whether I gave birth to him or not. I'd like to make it up to him by purchasing him his own car. A decent used vehicle is at least \$4,000. We don't have that kind of money and I was wondering it you could loan that amount to us. I promise to pay it back. As you can see, I'm desperate to get my son's love and trust back.

Mrs. P. L. ... Daily News, Wellington, KS

Dear Mrs. L.: Buying your son a car is not the answer to your dilemma. You can't buy love. What you need to do is sit down and talk to him. Tell him how sorry you are and then give him some time to adjust. If you're consistent and honest, you'll win back his trust.



Dear Mr. Ross: I'm tired. I'm angry. I'm plain fed up. My stupid car quit running and I don't have the \$435 needed for repairs. Without my car, I can't get to work. Without a job, there is no paycheck. Without any money, I can't pay the rent. Without any housing, I'll be on the street. I'm only 22. I have no family and my friends don't want to help me. My employer made it perfectly clear there are 50 other guys waiting for my job. I'm a hard worker but he can only hold my job for so long. A bus or cab is out of the question because I live 30 miles from work. You know, the old people have it made. They're living fat off the Social Security I pay and don't have to worry about getting to work because they're retired. Life stinks!

Mr. H. N. ... Tulsa, OK

Dear Mr. N.: Life stinks until you fall into a bed of roses. Take a tumble with the \$435 I'm sending. And now that you're back on track, do me a favor. Find the wherewithal to cut your monthly expenses so you can set 10-percent of your net pay in a savings account. In other words, I don't expect to hear from you again unless it's good news on what a success you've become.

Editor's note: Check your local radio station for Percy Ross' call of the day and visit his web site at — www.thanksamillion.com -

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AFSCME backs \$108 million bond

To the editor:

On February 7, 1998, the membership of AFSCME LO-CAL 1483, unanimously passed a motion to advise the Observer-Eccentric, Eagle Newspapers and the School Board, that our membership fully supports the Wayne-Westland Community School District Bond Issue on February 17, 1998.

We stand in agreement with the recommendations of the Citizens' Bond Committee. These repairs and improvements are crucial to the safety and well being of our students.

Susan Preston President

District in dire need of bond

To the editor: I realize there are some people who are trying to defeat the bond proposal, but I question the reason why they are against improving our schools which are in various stages of disrepair. During the time I have been on the Board of Education, I have visited each of our schools and have seen the condition of our

My three children have at-

tended and graduated from the Wayne-Westland School District. I believe they received a quality education and were prepared for college. I endorse our school district, and I want it to continue to be recognized as a leader in education in our state. The school district is in dire need for this bond proposal to pass. Our schools need to be modernized, and we need new technology to help our students be prepared for the 21st century. For those who question how the money would be spent from the bond or to the others who believe it would be used for teacher salaries, this is not true. The money would be used only where it has been designated. The state oversees the total process.

I feel as a community, we all want our property values to continue to improve which has been occurring in the past few years. This year, "The Detroit News", had an article stating our community had become a "hot" area in regard to real estate and people wanting to move to this location. I feel our property values are only as good as our schools. We need updated equipment and our schools, like our homes, need to be kept in good condition. I feel it is essential for our buildings to be revamped and updated if we want to continue to be seen as a community of

growth. I would encourage anyone who has a question regarding the bond proposal to call the administration offices of the Board of Education; or any Board Member to discuss the bond proposal; or visit the schools to see for yourself the renovations that need to be done. Don't forget to vote! Martha Pitsenbarger

Board of Education Member Wayne-Westland Community

School District

Not interested in changing insurers

To the editor:

I'm writing this letter in favor of the millage vote February 21, 1998. My wife and I along with our two children have lived in Van Buren Township for over 16 years. Our son graduated from Belleville High School in 1997, and our daughter attends as a sophomore.

Through-out our children's education from Edgemont Elementary to North Middle School up to Belleville High School. As parents we've tried to be involved in our children's education by helping with school projects and also after school activities. Over the years we have come to know a lot of hard working and dedicated teachers within the com-

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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discipline anymore, the way the police departments and prosecutors see it. It's only abuse or neglect! This is a crock of bull dung.

When I went to school, there was no out of school suspension. We had in school suspension that started the same time all the other kids started and you had no contact with the other kids. Now, the in school suspension, when they get it, starts at 10:00 a.m. and they get out at the normal time.

Doesn't anyone understand this is what the kids want? They want to be suspended, either in or out of the school, so they don't have to be in school. It's cool to be suspended, so you can be with your friends, at some ones house who either doesn't care or doesn't know.

If, and when they do get caught, what happens? The police take them to their parents instead of school. Why? When the police see kids skipping school or smoking they just drive by and don't do anything!

What about when the kids skip school so much they are expelled for the semester, come back to school, skip and get kicked out again? Who pays for it? The courts try to charge the parents. What do the kids learn? It's OK to skip school, your parents get into trouble and you don't need an education. Go out and have your fun while your parents have to pay.

These kids are going to rule the world someday and they need to know and learn the do's and don't. But how, the parents are supposed to teach them. The authorities won't let the parents discipline the kids to show them what's right and

I know quite a few early to mid-teens that are first time offenders in juvenile court that are kept and quite a few are let go. Some of them, not that bad of an offense are kept. Some real bad offenders are let go. To do what? Corrupt someone

I know of a teen that lives here in Wayne with her dad some days, and other days in Inkster. She has corrupted many teens (between 12 and 15) that has been in the juvenile system one week and let go. When she got to her dads after getting out, she corrupted another girl until about two weeks ago.

This girl that I am speaking of is 16 going on 17 years old, I will call her "Tara". She thinks she can do what she wants, when she wants, how she wants, just because her parents don't care. Her real dad doesn't know, or care what goes on. Her mom works full time, with overtime. "Tara" has no adult guidance and thinks she's the adult, which pulls innocent teens into the wrong, dark side of life. What has the system done about it? Nothing.

If no one else will, I am willing to write a petition to pass around to all parents and adults who care to change these laws on abuse, neglect, and discipline.

I have written to Lynn Rivers and other representatives which resulted in and I quote, "I handle only federal matters and I do not have any jurisdiction over state or local governments." Then why are they representing, if they don't or won't represent "concerned parents and citizens.'

I hope other parents, adults and concerned citizens will pull together and make a change. A change that will make the present and future generations realize the true meaning of right and wrong as well as respect for their parents, elders, citizens, and themselves.

Concerned, Someone who cares

Bond will protect schools

To the editor:

Twenty-two months ago, you elected me to the position of Trustee on the Wayne-Westland Community Schools Board of Education. As I walked door to door speaking to community members, your direction to me was clear. You asked that if I was elected, I be accountable and fiscally responsible. Thus far, I believe I have beer bot!

Based on this direction, I have spent much time touring our schools in preparation for our upcoming bond election. I have reviewed the Citizens Bond Committee report and the State Bond Application. I believe our buildings are in critical need of remodeling and updating due to their advanced age. The portion of the bond devoted to technology will help our students in preparation for the 21st century.

This bond proposal offers our community the oppor-* tunity to protect the investment of our schools and students. I urge all of our voters to exercise their right and vote on Tuesday, February 17 and I ask them to support this important bond issue.

David R. Cox, Trustee Wayne-Westland Community Schools Board of Education

Community should value, support Van Buren schools

To the editor:

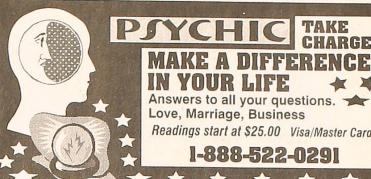
As a parent of two daughters currently enrolled in the Van Buren schools, I wish to express my support for the upcoming school millage election.

I feel that the students of our district have legitimate need and that all the members of this community would be benefited by supporting the needs of the school system. When a community provides good facilities in support of education, the whole community is benefited.

I would especially like to express my desire that the fine band program in our school district be supported and continued, so that any child who desires to participate in it have the opportunity to do so in the future. My children have been benefited by having the opportunity to be in the program (actually, blessed would be a more accurate word than benefited) and I feel strongly that the program is something that our community should value and support.

Melinda E. Powers Belleville

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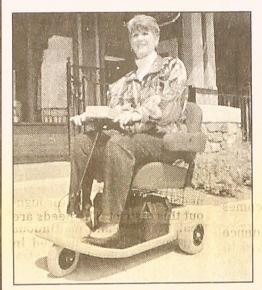
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LYME DISEASE SUPPORT GROUPThe Western Wayne unit of LDSG will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 17 and the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church of Wayne on Towne Square road. For more information call Connie at 734-326-3502.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PRO-GRAM An outpatient series of services for those suffering from drug abuse are being offered from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday Friday under the sponsorship of St. Mary Hospital. The meetings are held at Livonia's Center for Counseling Services. For more information call 1-800-494-1654.

BIG GAME HUNTERS Michigan Big Game Hunter's Association will offer a talk by Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer Mark Ennett at a 7 p.m. meeting on Feb. 19 at the Gander Mountain, 14100 Pardee. For further information call 313-287-7420.

PROSTATE, BREAST CAN-CER SCREENING will occur from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 7 at St. Mary Hospital Pavilion at 14555 Levan road in Livonia. Pre-registration is required, by calling 1-800-494-1650.

HOMELESS PLAY A production concerning the homeless Ms. Flossy and Friends will be presented at the Clarion Inn in Romulus from 7 to 10 p.m. Feb. 20. Written by Nikki Nealy and directed by L.A.Shelby the play was produced to increase public awareness and clear up myths about the homeless. The Clarion Inn is located at 9191 Wickham road in Romulus. Tickets carrying a \$10 donation fee are available by calling 313-563-6616.

ANNUAL HEART BALL The American Heart Association's Heart Ball will seek to attract persons from both the east and west side of Detroit. The 11th annual ball will be held at 7 p.m. March 6 at the Dearborn Inn. Tickets will cost \$200 each. For further information call Mary Ann Sinar at 248-557-9500 ext. 451.

CARDIAC BANQUET The eighth annual Cardiac Rehabilitation Banquet hosted by the Garden City Hospital Rehab Staff will be held at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 13 at the Dearborn Inn on Oakwood boulevard. Cost for the banquet is \$25 each or \$45 for a couple. For more information call 734-458-3242.

ALZHEIMER HELPERS Volunteer companions for the 60,000 or more Alzheimer's Disease patients are being sought by the Detroit area chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. An orientation for such a volunteer program is slated from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Feb. 21. For more information call Jeri Williams at

248-557-8277. FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS from noon to 2 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month in the lobby of the Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster road (between Ford and War-

ren roads).

FREE HEARING SCREEN-INGS are being held from noon to 2 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month in the lobby of the Garden City Hospital, 666245 Inkster road (between Ford and Warren roads).

COUNTRY WESTERN JAM-BOREE sponsored by the Metro Wayne Democratic Club will be conducted by the Metro Wayne Democratic Club at 7:30 p.m. April 25 at the Local 735 UAW Hall at 48055 Michigan





DCC ANNIVERSAY

Romulus Mayor William Oakley (third from left in top photo) is shown at the 20th anniversary dinner of the Downriver Community Conference held recently at the Crystal Gardens Banquet Center. From left in the top photo are Romulus Councilman LeRoy Burcroff, Mary Oakley, Oakley, Community Development Director Richard Marsh Jr. and Romulus School Trustee Michael Woods. Seated in front is Alfaye Wood. A trio of Romulus Councilmen are shown in the bottom photo, including (from left) William Crova, Donald Morris and Michael Prybyla. Seated in front is Midge Prybyla and and Jerilyn Burcroff. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

ave. in Canton. A dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m. followed by dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. A tribute to Elvis will take place with Sherman Arnold and the Interstate Band offering the music. Tickets are \$20 per person and \$35 per couple. For further information call 721-4710.

PET SHOTS OFFERED Rabies and distemper shots for dogs, cats and ferrets will be offered by the Romulus Animal Shelter from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 28.

Romulus Animal Control Officer Kim Matthews revealed the shots will be offered for rates between \$5 to \$15. For those requesting an identification microchip for their pet the cost is \$30. Dog licenses can also be picked up at the same time. The innoculation site will be the old Romulus Department of Public Works building at the corner of

Shook and Bibbins streets. CIRCLE OF LOVE a support group for adults, who have lost children, is offering a 10-week group setting starting at 7 p.m. Feb. 19 in the new Arbor Hospice Residence at 2366 Oak Valley drive in Ann Arbor. It is located just off I-94 (exit 175) across the street from the Ice Cube. For further information call i-800-763-5764.

SURPLUS FOOD DISTRIBU-TION will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Feb. 17 at Odd Fellows Hall at Glenwood and Venov in Wayne. The distribution conducted by the Metro Wayne Democratic Club will include apple sauce, spaghetti, pinto beans, tomato soup, refried beans, etc. Please bring your own bags and boxes. For further information call Cliff Johnson at 729-8681.

WEIGHT WATCHERS GROUP is currently holding meetings in the Community Room of Romulus City Hall from 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesday's. The public is invited to join. Call 942-7540 for more information.

INKSTER HEAD START is seeking three to four year olds of all ability levels, as well as those with physical limitations for half day programs. For further information call Michelle Reed at 565-1960. School is lo-

cated at 3414 Ash st. BIG COMFY COUCH characters from the popular TV show for children will be on hand for two free shows (4 and 6 p.m.) on Valentine's Day at the Fairlane Mall's Fountain Center. On hand will be Loonette (a sweet-voiced clown) and Molly (a doll/puppet who has come to life).

WALK FOR WARMTH The second annual Walk for Warmth will take place Feb. 28 at the Southland Mall in Taylor. The event is sponsored by the Wayne-Metropolitan Community Services Agency and 19 other community action agencies. The registration fee is \$5 per walker and will include receiving an event T-shirt, witnessing live entertainment and light refreshments. The grand marshall will be Joe Gagnon "The Appliance Doctor," who will broadcast his show from the mall following the walk. For more information call 313-843-2550.

RIVERS TO HOLD COFFEE U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers (D-Ann Arbor) has schedule a coffee hour at Alex's Garden Patch on Michigan avenue in Wayne from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Residents of the 13th Congressional District are encouraged to stop by and share their views with Rivers. For more information call

FOOD SURPLUS PROGRAM will take place in the Dorsey Community Center on Feb. 19th and 20th between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Westland residents should call the Dorsey Center hotline at 595-0366 on the proper date

and time for their pickups.

MOTORCYLE SWAP MEET will take place at the Michigan State Fairgrounds in Detroit from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 22. Tickets cost \$6 for adults and \$1 for children. Those under 6 years of age are admitted free. For more information call 800-968-4242.

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP has been formed to aid those who have suffered a cerebral aneurysm or stroke. A presentation will be offered free of charge on Feb. 17 at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster road in Garden City (between Ford and Warren roads). Call 458-3381 for more information.

LARYNGECTOMEE SUP-PORT group will meet at 2 p.m. Feb. 18 in the Medical Office Building, lower level classrooms of the Garden City Hospital. The group meets the third Wednesday of each month. For further information call 458-3381.

TUESDAY MUSICALE will be marking its 114th year with a special concert at 10:30 a.m. Feb. 28 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Event will provide a free introduction to the world of classical music and dance contests. It will also provide great fun for lower school age children. For further information call 810-445-6297.

PARENTS WITHOUT PART-NERS open dance slated for 9 p.m. March 20 at the Grotto Club, 2070 W. Stadium, Ann Arbor. Further information can be obtained by calling 313-994-7855. On Feb. 15 at 3 p.m. PWP will have orientation for new members who single parents and are divorced, widowed or never married. Call Karen at 313-971-0082.

CHILD IMMUNIZATIONS will be offered for \$5 (no matter how many shots are needed) from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Feb. 23 in St. Mary Hospital's West Addition Conference Room B, near the South Entrance off Levan road in Livonia. No registration is required.

ANTIQUES EXPOSITION will feature American, European and Oriental antiques and fine art. Exposition will be held Feb. 20-22 at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen road, Southfield. Tickets will be \$6. Children 12 and under free.

BOOKS FOR NEWBORNS More than 400 newborns at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor will benefit from a new book distribution program paid for by the Karla Fund, a special project within Ann Arbor's Baby Book Club. For further information call Victor Stoeffler at 734-761-4414 or Barton Hamilton at 734-741-0466.

CANCER VOLUNTEER OP-TIONS will be outlined if reader calls Volunteerism Department at 248-557-5353 ext. 336 of the American Cancer Society.

FASHION SHOW sponsored by the TOPS organization is slated for 6:30 p.m. Feb. 17 at the Good Shepherd Reformed

Church of Westland. The free fashion show and open house will be presented by Winkleman's and will contain the theme "Good as Gold." TOPS No. 28 meets on Tuesday evenings at the church located at 6500 N. Wayne road, corner at Hunter.

CRAFTERS NEEDED for the Franklin High School Patriot's Club's spring craft show planned for March 21. For more information call 522-5287. Franklin School is located at 31000 Joy road, Liv-

CRAFTERS ALSO NEEDED for Madonna University's 13the Annual Spring Arts and Crafts Show slated from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 28 in the Activities Center on campus. The show will offer handmade arts and crafts, pottery, jewelry, paintings, textiles and woodworking.

HEALTH CENTER MEETING The public is invited to attend the Inkster Teen Health Center Advisory Council meetings at 9:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month. The meetings are conducted at the teen health center, 29193 Beech st. in Inkster. For further information call Eunice Johnson, center director, at 313-719-8336.

K of C RAFFLE AND BAN-QUET The second annual raffle and banquet of the Notre Dame Council Knights of Columbus located at 35100 Van Born rd, Wayne, will be held Feb. 18. First prize is \$3,000, second prize, \$500 and nine other cash prizes are available. Tickets cost \$100 and only 100 tickets will be sold. Dinner and an open bar also are included. For ticket information call the K of C Council at 728- 3020, Ed Jezewski at 464-2969 or Leo Gramlich at 697-8482.

SPEAKING IN PUBLIC The local Toastmasters Club in Westland urges persons wishing to learn the art of speaking in public to attend their weekly meetings at 6 p.m. every Thursday at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne road (next to the Westland Mall). For more information call John Elbe at 326-5419.

SINGLE MINGLE DANCE A dance for those 21 years and older is slated for 8 p.m. each Wednesday at the Bonnie Brook Country Club located at Telegraph and 8 Mile, Southfield. Admission is \$4 (\$3 before 8:30) Fashionable attire is requested with no jeans permitted. A similar dance is also offered every Sunday at the same time and location. The Hotline number is 313-842-0443.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Conscious control group meets from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday and Sunday (even holidays) at the Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster road, Garden City, four blocks north of Ford road. The program is open to both men and women. For more information call Woody at 313-729-0520.

GRAPEFRUIT SALEThe John Glenn High School Instrumental Music Department are selling grapefruit and oranges to help raise funds for new instruments and uniforms. The cost of the fruit is \$13 a case. The sale will end Feb. 13. Please call the music department at 595-2350 if you wish to order fruit.

CARD PARTY St. Raphael Parish's Shamrock Shuffle card party is slated for 7 p.m. March 18 in the church's Activities Building on Merriman street, one block north of Ford road in Garden City. Tickets cost \$6 each and include coffee, dessert kand blarney bags. For further information call 734-522-8595

LANDLORDS SOUGHTThe Real Estate Investors Association is searching for landlords in need of knowledge. At 7 p.m. March 3 at the Holiday Inn in Southgate, speaker Mike Warren will discuss adult/senior congregate living. Entrance fee for non-members is \$10. The hotel is located at 17201 Northline road, one block east of I-75. Hotline is 277-4168.

CORN BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER featuring honored guests Mort Crim and Judge William Lipscomb will be held at 7 p.m. March 11 at the International BAnquet and Conference Center, 400 Monroe street in Detroit. Cost is \$75 each or \$600 for a table of 10. For further information call the Catholic Youth Organization of Detroit.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS classes are being planned in Livonia by the Grancare Hospice organization. Flexible times and locations can be arranged by calling Manager of Volunteer Services ata 1-800-932-5202.

CLASS OF '43 REUNION for Detroit Southeastern Class of 1943. Class will mark its 55th reunion May 16 at the Gourmet House, 25225 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Call Evie Blair at 313-282-8548.

COURT CLOSEDThe 18th District Court in Westland will be closed Feb. 16 to observe the Presidents' Day holiday. There will be no evening probation that day. Over the weekend, Feb. 14 and 15 there will be no work programs scheduled, Judge Gail McKnight said

MEET AT THE MOVIES Free admission to the movie Flubber starring Robin Williams and Marcia Gay Harden will be offered at 11 a.m. Feb. 18 at the Livonia Mall. For further information call 248- 476-1160.

WAKE UP WESTLANDFree informational breakfast for small business owners and operators will be held at 8 a.m. Feb. 17 at the Joy Manor, 28999 Joy road in Westland. Program is sponsored by the Westland Chamber of Commerce. Program is free to members and \$20 for non-members at the door.

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Seniors on the go

Perks abound for 'recyclees'

As you read this column, I will be returning from an 11day cruise aboard the Tropicale to the Panama Canal -- relaxed, sun-tanned and well

I am sure that among the passengers will be many fellow recyclees, and I'll make it a point to talk to them about their "lives after deadlines," and report about them in a future column.

One of the perks of being a "recyclee" is that I have time to take a long vacation -- even time to shop and pack at leisure and also time for a unhurried "re-entry" when the ship returns to port and we fly into Detroit Metro Airport.

Today, many business people take three and four day vacations, several times a year, rather than to take an extended trip and return to piles of letters and stacks of memos. Not so with recyclees, who have time to shop for their vacation clothing before hand and pack them at leisure, even taking time for such luxuries as manicures and hair-dos.

In past years, I worked extra hours before I left for my vacations to have things in good order for those who were left to carry on the work, and when I returned, I worked extra hours



concerns that arose in my absence and were waiting on my desk for my return.

Not so this year! I can leave with a clear conscience (my columns done in advance) and know that when I return, I have only to take up where I left off. What a glorious feel-

Some of the perks of retirement are more subtle, such as having more time to spend with one's family. It is a pleasure to enjoy the company of my husband, instead of being like ships that pass in the night. Our times schedules did not seem to mesh well, especially during the four years that he worked 12 hours per day, seven days a week. Now, we are getting re-acquainted over an afternoon cup of coffee and our evening meal.

It may seem to be an advantage to dine out five or six nights a week, but restaurant fare seems to lose some of its charm when dining out beto take care of all of the special comes an everyday event. I am after deadlines.

enjoying cooking supper five or six nights a week and dining out one or two - and it is once again a treat to dine out!

Now that I prepare dinner for my spouse and I, we are dining on healthier, low salt and low fat foods, we are enjoying the benefits of good health -- another perk!

I also have time to enjoy my home and add a few of my touches here and there. My friends have begun to call me Western Wayne's Martha Stewart, possibly prompted this past holiday season when I decorated small trees in every room, including the bathroom. Perhaps I'll get over my home decorating mania by next Christmas, but I wouldn't count on it!

Life is good!

If you are a recyclee who has made an interesting career switch after retirement, send your name and phone number fo Joan Dyer-Zinner, MCN, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich. 48184, and I will feature your story in a future

Editor's note: Joan Dyer-Zinner is the former MCN managing editor who writes about life

Couple celebrate "Golden Anniversary"

Gloria (Talmadge) and David Dillingham of Wayne, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the Gandy Dancer in Ann Arbor, Dec. 13th with their family.

After dinner, their children and grandchildren announced a donation made in their name to the Plymouth Historical Museum towards the acquisition of the Dr. Weldon Petz Abraham Lincoln Collection, which will be on permanent display there.

David is a descendant of Lincoln's mother, Nancy

The couple first met at the old State Wayne Theater, while they were both attending Wayne High School. David retired from General Motors Hydramatics in Ypsilanti as a reliability manager and is now president of Dillingham Quality Consulting.

They enjoy camping, traveling, photography, genealogy research and remain active at the First United Methodist

Church in Wayne. Their children and spouses



Gloria and David Dillingham

are: David Dillingham Jr. of West Bloomfield; Diane (Alan) Dellinger of Plymouth; Debra (Joel) Haan Waldorf, MD; Daniel Dillingham of Southfield;

and Douglas Dillingham of Westland. They have three Grandchildren: Jennifer (Don) Patten; Stephanie Cook; and Joel Haan Jr.

Transportation unit formed

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

In response to numerous

Belleville senior citizen requests, Mayor Dennis Fassett has announced the creation of a Belleville Senior Citizen Transportation Committee.

Fassett said the committee includes: Ruth Bleeker, Mary Currier, Curtis Baker, Lou Powers and Jennifer Delano. Citing the involvement of

Councilwoman Kay Atkins, Fassett said "this committee has now moved from the talking to the planning stage."

Referring to past political problems, the mayor said that in the spring of 1997 he was able to initiate work on developing a possible local transportation system for senior citizens.

He secured an agreement with the Belvil Taxi service to provide taxi service for senior

citizens on a one year trial basis for a fixed fee of \$2,400 (actually the city's SMART credits), Fassett said. There would have been no cost to senior citizens.

But he said the plan was killed by the local council.

Last summer an area newspaper offered \$7,000 (for advertising space) to operate the (free to seniors) transportation linkup, but it was again turned down by the city council.

That offer has since been withdrawn, Fassett said.

Funds for the current committee will be created privately through grants or donations, Fassett said, separate from the city and the politics that had killed the original program.

For additional information on the committee and its goals, Fassett urges residents to contact any of the above members, himself or Atkins.



Dennis Fassett

Don Pablo's declares 'Have a Heart' month

February is already known as the month of hearts, but Don Pablo's Mexican Kitchen restaurants are determined to add another heart- conscious event to the month's roster (and this one welcomes singles). For the second year in a row, Don Pablo's declared February "Have A Heart" month, encouraging Waterford-area employees and customers to give the gift of life by donating blood at a do-nation center. The blood drive will take place Monday, February 9 from 1 to 7 p.m. through the American Red Cross 'South East Michigan Blood

Last year, 520 pints of blood were collected...

Regions, 2388 Franklin Road (one block east of telegraph and north of Square Lake).

"Have A Heart" is a company-wide community service effort sponsored by Texasbased Don Pablo's and Harrigans restaurants. Employees and customers from over 100

restaurants located in eighteen states across the country will once again donate blood for various Blood Banks and American Red Cross chapters throughout the United States.

Last year, 520 pints of blood were collected, saving up to 1,560 lives (each pint collected saves approximately 3 lives). Don Pablo's expects to exceed this amount during the 1998

For more information on this "heart-warming" event, please contact Eduardo Garcia, Don Pablo's "Have A Heart" representative, at 810-738-0992.

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News from area churches

Christ's possible burial cloth exhibit on display

MCN Staff Writer

A Holy Shroud of Turin exhibit will be placed on display free from 3 to 9 p.m. daily from Feb. 18-22 in the parish gym behind the St. Stanislaus Kostka church in Wyandotte.

The life-size shroud exhibit will be on view for the first time ever in the Downriver-Metro Area, church leaders

The Holy Shroud of Turin has been the object of both worship and controversy in recent centuries.

Many claim the shroud is the actual burial cloth of Jesus

St. Stanislaus Kostra leaders urge area residents to "see the evidence first hand, presented in this factual, history based exhibit featuring an actual life-size transparency.

The exhibit features not only a replica of the Holy Shroud, but a historical interpretation of the crucifixion of Christ as outlined in the gospel of John.

Also on display will be a collection of over 100 photos of a replica of the crucifixion, as well as charts, and the results of scientific and forensic study of the shroud.

St. Stanislaus church leaders state the exhibit is truly non-denominational and unbiased.

They say that children under 15 wishing to visit the exhibit must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information call 313-285-9509 (days). The church is located at 266 Antoine St. in Wyandotte.

Moving swiftly to fill church leadership posts in eastern Michigan, United Methodist Bishop Donald A. Ott announced last week that veteran pastor Dr. John N. Grenfell III will become senior pastor at the First United Methodist Church of Belleville this summer.

It was reported last week in the Michigan Community Newspapers that current Belleville Pastor David Strong will retire this July.

Grenfell, who currently is the pastor of Menominee U.M. Church will move to Belleville at that time, along with his wife, Renee, and their five children. He will begin his local ministry on July 5.

Their family includes two sons, 16 and 4, and three daughters; ages 14, 8 and 6.

Grenfell also served as pastor of the Grand Marais U.M. Church for five years. That church is located on the shores of Lake Superior.

David Sucher, chairman of the Belleville First U.M. Church's pastor/parish committee, said a letter the church received from Grenfell stated "I am to model a life of truth and integrity. "He also plans to stress that his role is to stress "the message of salvation and hope in Jesus Christ."

Questions concerning "what is the Salvation Army's current role in communist Cuba," are sure to be among the foremost queries facing new Eastern Territorial Michigan Army Commander Col. Franklyn Thompson, when he is welcomed and installed later this month.

Thompson and his wife, Joan, are slated to be officially welcomed and installed on Feb. 17 at the Dearborn Hyatt Regency hotel on Michigan avenue in Dearborn.

After their installation by Central Territorial Commander Harold Hinson, they will then take over Army headquarters offices in Southfield.

The mysteries about religious life inside the island of Cuba have begun to grow in recent weeks, following the worldwide TV visit of Roman Catholic Pope John Paul 23rd's visit to Fidel Castro's homeland, one of the last communist nations in the world.

The other key one is North Korea.

Not too ironically the national Salvation Army's recent magazine War Cry gave a verbal and photo view on such an

issue early this month. The story revealed the

Cuba back in 1912, but after Castro's revolution in the early 60's only a dozen officers stayed on the island.

Most of the officers left the

Army began its ministry in island nation when they were told by Castro, they could no longer wear their religious uniforms, sell their magazine or conduct outdoor meetings.

From 1962 until 1973 when

Cuba went dark to the rest of the world, it was thought that the Army had stopped working there, the Army magazine revealed.

But in 1973 it was revealed

at a Christian Caribbean Conference of Churches that the Army was still operating on a limited basis and conducted its training college there.

Today current commander

Major Felipe Prieto reports that "Cuba is the fastest growing division in the Army's Caribbean territory."

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Hot rod'n families make Autorama sizzle

BY IVAN HELFMAN MCN Staff Writer

Dozens of Westland car buffs entered their spiffy wheels in the Autorama, the biggest and best custom and race car show in the US.

The show got that way by the hard work of the local families working together on their street rods and race cars.

You may see the plum crazy purple dune buggy of Matt Beebeand his girlfriend Lisa driving down the road in the summer, heading to some evening cruise. But for countless nights before the big show, the couple and Matt's kids - David, 10, and Katie, 5 -- spend hours cleaning areas of the care most people will never see, including some spots your local mechanic doesn't know about.

Anthony Moore and his wife Sarah spent hours building and maintaining their bright red 1978 Mustang 2. They drive

the car regularly to local were they were chosen as one cruise nights and countless car shows in Western Wayne County. The car not only carries all the needed equipment to go drag racing, but it also has all the necessary street equipment. This car is not only fun to drive and looks sharp, but it is probably among the safest cars on the road.

Then comes the evergrowing number of race cars that are at the show every year. With local sponsors, like Harlow Tire, helping Tom Conian and his family, the Conians have been able to come up with a brand new GT Mustang this year on the drag racing circuit. With the help of his kids, Shelbi and Jordyn, and his wife, Sheila, he built this car in under two months and will unveilit at the Autorama.

Jeff and Julie Green built their car with double duty in mind. They not only race it but drive it to local cruises. They

of the cars to be featured on the Daisy Dukes Calendar "Hot Rods and Hot Bods" calendar, which is full of local hot rods and local models. Jeff and his crew, Michael, Dylan, and Shelby all do their share to get Dad down the 1/4 mile at the local drag strips and to make a beautiful show on the street and the shows.

Last but not least is the beautiful 1967 super gas Chevy C-10 race truck of Stevie and Diane Day. Stevie has always been a show stopper at the local tracks as well as his share of traveling. Imagine taking a big truck like this and making it run 145 miles an hour in 9.3 seconds. That is what Stevie does with the help of his daughters Peg and Angel. Angel was also the winner with her car at the local Burger Car Show. Expect to see this beautiful truck run exhibition races against other trucks in the area like Clyde Derrick's big Ford race truck.

All the people getting ready for the 1998 Autorama are your local neighbor and their families getting together to build their own excitement. Talk to these people at the show or at local cruises this year and join in with some excitement of

The show starts this Friday evening and runs through Sunday. Hope to see everyone



Gary Knurek and his '56 Chevy Z10 last year. Knurek took second place in his class at Autorama. Photo by Carol Marshall

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Stevie Day and his Camaro. Photo by Don Nicholson



Dornkirschweng's '69 Chev. Camaro. When he took it to Autorama last year. It took fourth in it's class. Photo by Carol Marshall

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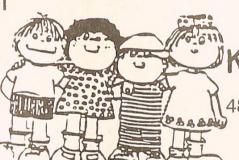
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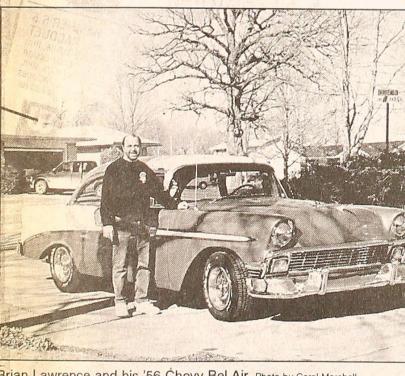
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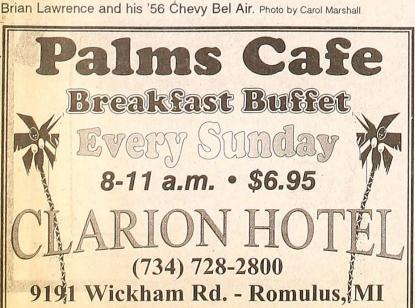
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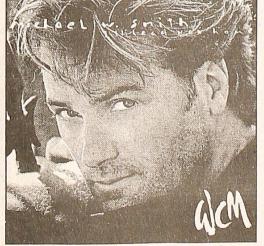
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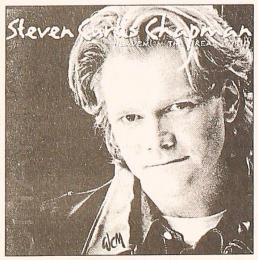












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Powerlifters throw weight around

By DON RICHTER MCN Special Writer

The third annual Bench Press and Powerlifting Conference was held last weekend at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Romulus.

The conference brought together some of the world's greatest and most influential powerlifters and bench pressers of all-time.

The two day meeting, which was the brainchild of Romulus businessman and recent Powerlifting Hall of Fame inductee C.J. Batten, has grown bigger every year.

"I'm very happy with today's turnout," Batten said commenting on the packed meeting room where the conference was held. "We have some of the greatest people in the sport here today.

People like Mike Mac-Donald who holds 36 world records in the bench press in four different weight divisions, Ed Coan a 10 time world champion powerlifter, Scott Warman a nationally renowned deadlift champion and Dr. Mauro Di Pasquale, contributing editor of Powerlifting USA and Muscle Meworld champion powerlifter.

Also attending was Tee "Skinny Man" Meyers a three time world drug- free powerlifting champion and holder of over 40 world records, Rob Wagner who has squatted 799 pounds and set two world records in the event and Kirk Karwoski who has bench pressed 585 pounds, deadlifted 825 pounds and squatted an amazing 1005 pounds.

"This conference is for everybody to come to and learn. It's not just for serious powerlifters and weight trainers. It's for everyone," said Batten.

Batten added that people shouldn't be intimidated or hesitant to attend because, "These guys love to talk about their sport. It's in an informal setting and they're completely accessible. There's no better way to be exposed to the sport than through a conference like

Steve Colescott, publishing editor of Peak Magazine, a national publication which covers bodybuilding and powerlifting was present at the conference and said, "This is a hidden jewel. This is one of the best conferences around.

dia Magazines and himself a It's a real gem. There are some of the best people in the sport

here.' The format of the meeting consists of each speaker talking about his speciality for about an hour or so and then answering questions. There's about a 20-30 minute break in between speakers during which people walk around and talk with the assembled world champions about squatting, bench pressing, nutrition or anything else associated with weight training.

Ron Ringewold and his wife Sheri, both avid weightlifters drove all the way from Grand Rapids to attend the conference. "I think it's great. It's the first one that I've ever been to. I'm definitely learning from these guys," Ron said.

"The more a person learns about the sport, the better," he said. "The guys here are the best. They've been there. You couldn't ask for better teachers."

For more information concerning this event call C.J. Batten at (734) 946-7851 or write to him at 28884 Highland Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

down Strip mall

By DON RICHTER MCN Special Writer

"I think he's a liar and I think his father is too," said an angry and obviously fed up Chris Woodburn at last Tuesday's Westland planning commission meeting.

Her frustration was focused on Anthony Rea who, along with his father, proposes to demolish the remaining houses on Yale Street and eventually develop a commercial strip there.

"I've been fighting with Mr. Rea for years," said an exasperated Woodburn who lives a block away from the site on Harvey. "I want nice, new houses built in that area, not businesses.

The part of Yale Street in question is located directly north of the Ford Road and Wayne Road intersection. The street which runs parallel to Wayne at that juncture dead ends just before the busy intersection running into the Precision Tune and PageTec parking lots on the northwest

'This shouldn't happen," said Ron Sampson who lives near the site. "I don't like that he (Rea) has had his construction equipment in our residential area for quite some time. It shouldn't be there if it's just going to sit there," he said.

Mr. Villarell, another resident of the area said succinctly, "Mr. Rea is not a good neighbor. I don't agree with this proposal."

Dave Kendrick who resides on Harvey complained that, "There's a crane, old shrubs and fences still there in the area. When is that going to be cleaned up?"

He disagreed with developing the site into a commercial zone saying, "Ford and Wayne is already the busiest intersection in the city. All this proposal will do is increase traffic. We don't need that."

He went on to tell Mr. Rea that if he wants to improve the area he, "could paint the existing houses there and make

other physical improvements to the site, instead.

"I don't want a guy who doesn't even live in the area, let alone the county, coming in and building commercial bussinesses. What does he care, he doesn't have to live here."

Mr. Rea responded to the complaints by telling the commission, "The issue here is to decide if the city should have the property or if a developer should. I feel that the property would be better served as commercial. If the houses are demolished, the development can be built closer to Wayne Road and serve as more of a buffer to the houses which would be located behind it."

The planning commission upon reviewing the proposal brought forth by Mr. Rea felt that it was too fragmented in its approach to redevelopement and that there was no real concrete plan.

The proposal was unanimously denied by the commission to the delight of the crowd in attendence.

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Embezzlement suspect disappears

By IVAN HELFMAN MCN Staff Writer

A Farmer Jack's worker who allegedly embezzled six bars of soap almost made a clean getaway.

A manager spotted the woman leaving the supermarket on Middlebelt with a plastic grocery bag at 9 p.m. on a recent night.

Following store policy, the manager checked the bag and found six bars of soap and a bottle of Oil of Olay, but no receipt.

Asked where the receipt was, the woman said, "I don't know"; and insisted that one of the cashiers had rang up the sale. The cashier denied ringing it up.

"Maybe I left it in my vehicle," explained the woman.

Leaving the bath products with the manager, she said she'd search her car for the re-

She was last seen fleeing in an "unidentified vehicle."

The manager called Westland Police and asked to prosecute the woman for embezzlement.

Problem is, nobody knows where the woman lives. Police searched for her name in the Secretary of State's database. She's not listed.

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Salem vs. Glenn - it's reality time

Rocks put lead on the block

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

At week end, Plymouth-Salem was the undisputed Western Lakes Conference leader, riding the crest of a 10game winning streak.

Friday night, however,

check" at Westland John Glenn, a team that could provide that test despite two recent conference setbacks.

"Glenn will be a challenge for us," said Brodie after the Rocks avoided a meltdown against two hot Walled Lake teams. Careful not to provide the Rockets any ammunition to shoot his team down, Brodie said that he sees "a tough and physical game."

"Glenn is a young, hungry team and anyone who underestimates their (Glenn's) talents will pay for it. Believe me,

coach Bob Brodie and the we won't. Things may be going Rocks will face a "reality smoothly for us now, but you smoothly for us now, but you learn that you never rest on your laurels."

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Glenn coach Mike Schuette sees the pending duel as a David vs. Goliath one.

"They (Salem) have much more size than we do. They also are very quick and they can do everything in so many ways to hurt you."

Reminded that David was the victor in the Biblical battle, Schuette smiled but did not respond.

"Let me say that they (Salem) can do so many things at both ends of the floor. We aren't going to be able to make any mistakes if we want to stay in this game."

Schuette pointed out that Salem was picked as the team to beat in the conference this year and they have proven the pre-season pollsters right up to this point.

"At this stage of the season, they are the most dynamic team in our conference."

School officials expect a standing room only crowd for the game, which will get underway at 7:00 p.m.

Salem kept its 10-game (They were scheduled to play Canton Tuesday night) winning

streak intact with impressive 63-51 victories over Walled Lake Central, and Walled Lake Western 51-48.

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Against Central, Salem managed to jump out ahead 13-9 in the first period, increased its lead to 32-22 at the half before Central's sharpshooter Todd Neghosian put down a couple of three-points to cut the Rocks' lead to seven (47-40) for three.

Salem's defense clamped down and allowed only 11 points in the final eight minutes to seal the victory.

Salem's Tony Bernhardt and Andy Power scored in double

figures. Each had 12 points, but it was Neghosian's 26 points that topped the field.

The Rocks had a tough time trying to shake a pesky Western team that refused to quit right to the end. After the Rocks grabbed a narrow 12-9 lead for one period, Western, thanks to Jeff Mitchell's four points, closed the gap (23-20) at the half.

Western stayed within a point (46-45) of catching the league-leader at the end of three, but a strong performance by the Salem bench

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After losing their first two games of the season, Plymouth-Salem has come back and strung together a 10game winning streak that includes back-to-back victories last week over title-contenders Walled Lake Central and Western. At week ends, the Rocks were atop of the Western Lakes, but the undisputed league leader has two big games this week. They played Canton (Tuesday night) and will travel to Westland John Glenn Friday

T thriller Robichaud is on a winning roll

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Robichaud and coach Monte Dennard had to work overtime Friday night against Woodhaven, and it paid off for the Dearborn Heights basketball team.

Outscoring their Mega Conference White Division opponents 14-10 in the extra period, the Bulldogs pulled out a 69-66 victory to stay "alive" and in the thick of the title race.

"It was a well-played, hardfought game," said Dennard afterwards. "And we are really happy to win this one. It keeps us alive in the title race."

The victory boosted Robichaud's White Division record to 6-1 on the season. They're 10-4 overall on the season.

Jason Malloy teamed up

with Roderick Means in the OT to score a couple of big Robichaud baskets. Malloy provided five points while Means chipped in three in an overtime that Robichaud led wire-

What sent the game into overtime was Woodhaven's James Driscoll's last shot that was all net. It tied the score at

Up to that point, both teams were gasping for breathing room. The Bulldogs were up 12-9 after one, but Woodhaven came back and tied the score at 22 just before the intermis-

Both teams put 13 points on the scoreboard in the third period, setting up the fair exchange for the final eight

time, Driscoll counted a gamehigh 23 points and Pratt sank 22 for the losers. Robichaud placed three players in double figures. Peter Brooks collected a team high 22 points, and he also

defending against the duo of

Dave Pratt and Driscoll, who

combined for 45 of their team's

points. Along with the tying

basket at the end of regulation

grabbed 10 rebounds. Malloy finished with another solid allaround performance. He scored 13 points and cleared the boards for 11 rebounds, while teammate James Hudgens added 12 points.

Next for coach Dennard and the Bulldogs is Dearborn, a team that needs the win to put Robichaud had its problems a lock on the championship.

On the mats

Champs take on upstart Romulus

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Southgate Anderson has dominated the Mega Conference Red Division wrestling circles for the past two years.

And Romulus coach Vern Logan doesn't see that changing in the near future. But the veteran mat strategist believes that his young and restless Eagles could give the defending champs a battle when the two clash head-on today in South-

"Southgate is strong in the middle weight classes, and that's where we are the strongest, too," said Logan as he prepared his team for the showdown. "Their strength comes in the middle class weights, and this dual (meet) should tell us how we match

Romulus also may not have an easy time at the district wrestlingdowns next week.

up for conference meet."

The Eagles boosted their Red Division record to .500 (3-3) last week at the expense of Lincoln Park. LP, which lacked wrestlers in the 103, 189 and 215 pound classes, lost to the Eagles 50-24.

Among the notable Romulus victories were those posted by Michael Wade, who pinned his 112-pound opponent in 55 seconds; Steve Hatfield (135), Alex Hance (145), Steve Polack (152) and Nathan

Romulus also may not have an easy time at the district wrestling-downs next week

The Eagles have been assigned to the Temperance-Bedford district where Monroe and Belleville complete the foursome that will wrestle for district accolades.

to be able to field exceptional teams," Logan stressed. "They definitely will be the team to beat over there.

"Temperance always seems

"But I feel some of our wrestlers have the ability to qualify for state if they continue to work hard."

Two of Romulus' premier wrestlers - Charles Thompson (189) and Thomas - recently captured gold medals at the Avondale Invitational and could be among the top-seeds in the districts.



Janis Rychlinski

to be installed

Four legendary sports fig- Hall: ures will become the latest inductees into the Wayne- skating as a child roller-Westland Athletic Hall of skating in her home state of Fame.

The four to be honored are: Janis Rychlinski, a local icon in figure skating; Augie Vasha, a national record-holder in wrestling; Richard L. Foy, longtime Westland Youth Athletic Association football coach; and Dick Brewis, a hawk-eye sports officiating veteran whose whistle has decided many a big (and not so big) game.

Friends and the public are welcomed to participate in the installation ceremonies which will be staged beginning at 7 tonight at Jake's Again Lounge, located on Wayne Road, one block north of Michigan Ave-

Here is a thumbnail sketch of the newest members of the

Rychlinski began her love of ennsylvania. She moved to Michigan at the age of 18. Married in 1953, she and her husband, Ray, moved to Wayne where they raised four chil-

In 1974, Janis began assisting in the Wayne Figure Skating program and in 1976 became the program director. The position called for supervising a minimum of 500 to 600 youth and adults annually and hosting annual competitions.

As director of Winterfest, she has been able to attract many well- known professionals including David Santee, Charles Tickner, Caryn Kadavy, JoJo Starbuck, Scott Williams, Charlene Wong, and

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Wayne may decide who'll wear Mega Red crown

Champs are 'spoilers'

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Back-to-back losses to league co-leader River Rouge and Ypsilanti last week buried defending champ Wayne Memorial's dream of remaining in the Mega Conference Red Division title

Coach Chuck Henry's Zebras have dropped five of their divisional games and are four-games off the pace set by Romulus and Rouge, who are tied for first-place in the Mega Red.

But, despite the recent losses, Wayne may yet determine which team will wear the 1998 conference crown. Wayne has a rematch with Romulus later in the season and

barring any further Romulus surprises, the Wayne-Romulus

scheduled March 5 game at Wayne Memorial could decide whether the Eagles get a share of their first divisional title. In the meantime, Rouge returned to the top of the Mega Red Division and the Class B state standings with a 79-74 victory Tuesday over Romulus (See Related Story on this page) and a hard-fought 64-55 win over Wayne Friday night on the Panther

Wayne did not fall like a house of cards as some predicted to the Panthers, a team considered by pollsters as one of the finest,

if not the finest, in any class this year. Employing a suffocating defense that kept the taller and more physical Rouge sweating right to the final minutes, the Zebras eventually proved vulnerable in the waning minutes of the game because of their lack of board strength.

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Photo by Aaron Ortiz



Leaving the defenders in his wake, Romulus's Brandon DeYampert follows the base line to the basket and the layup. The Eagles regrouped from their first Mega Conference Red Division loss Tuesday night to beat crossover opponent Monroe Friday. They share first-place with Rouge.

Romulus battles back

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Romulus made certain that a 79-74 setback on Tuesday at the

hands of River Rouge would not be fatal. Coach Guy DelGiudice's Eagles battled back Friday night from their first Mega Conference Red Division loss to whip

Monroe 71-56 in a conference crossover game. Monroe had beaten the Eagles earlier this season.

"You never know how a big loss is going to affect a team," DelGiudice later commented. "It was good to see the way these kids come back. They remain focused.'

DelGiudice noted that the defense, which fell apart in the second quarter against Rouge, looked solid against Monroe, es-

pecially in the second half. Monroe and Romulus came out shooting Friday night. Led by Carl Ford, Monroe grabbed a 21-18 first-period lead and hung on to the advantage until midway in the second quarter when the

Eagles went to work. Behind a balanced scoring assault and the court savvy of Melvin Hicks, Brandon DeYampert and Reggie Kirkland, the Eagles eliminated the deficit and went up 37-33 at halftime. They increased their lead with a 19-4 scoring advantage in the third

quarter, an advantage never seriously challenged by the Trojans. Hicks continued his scoring acumen from long range, connecting on three treys in a 19-point evening. Kirkland added 16 points and also contributed nine rebounds, while DeYampert

rounded out the double- figure scorers with 15.

Ford finished with 24 and Jeremy Griffin added 11 for the See **EAGLES**, page B-2



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many others.

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Other notables who have come through the Wayne program are Angela Densweth, and more recent in senior pairs - Danielle and Steven Hartsell. Many Wayne skaters are currently performing with the Disney World on Ice tour.



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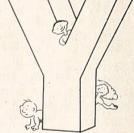
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Rychlinski was honored as 1986 Ice Skating Institute of America as Coach of the Year and was the 1990 ISIA Woman of the Year.

Janis and her husband Ray

currently reside in Wayne. Foy has had a remarkable success story and career in coaching. At age 14, he launched his coaching career with the Redford Parks and Recreation Department where he coached 9 and 10-year-olds to an undefeated season, winning the city playoffs. The experience apparently whetted his coaching appetite and, in 1969, he began his first of 29 years as a WYAA coach. During that period, Foy has had outstanding success. He has served as Little League baseball manager for 12 years and coached three All-Star teams; served seven years as Babe Ruth manager and was named five-times as the All-Star manager. He also served as the Babe Ruth District commis-

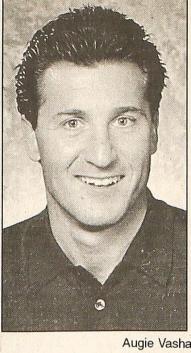
Foy also has coached the Westland Meteor football teams for the past 25 years and 24 of those as a head coach. He has produced six undefeated teams, two teams that were unscored upon.

During his career, Foy also has coached 40 league or tournament champions. His wonlost percentage is an unprecedented 84 percent.

What does Foy's fans have to say about him. He's what: Although he may not have the best athletes, he always seems able to mold the best teams.

Rick and his wife, Patti, have two adult daughters and currently reside in Garden

Vasha began his wrestling career at Stevenson Junior High School in 1972 and continued his career at Westland



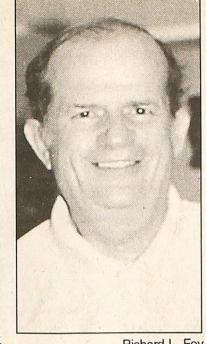
Augie Vasha

John Glenn. He was the Most Outstanding sophomore 1974, posting 33 victories while losing 13. He qualified for the state meet at 107 pounds.

Augie earned All-State recognition as a junior when he posted 44 victories while losing only twice. He was also selected as a high school All-American.

As a senior, Vasha captured the coveted state title at 115pounds with a incredible 42-1 overall record. He avenged his lone loss in the state finals via a pin.

Was named to the Scholastic Wrestling News' All-American Team and held the national record for three years at 119 wins. He was the first wrestler at John Glenn to ever record 100 victories and was named the Class of 1976's Outstanding Athlete. The school honored him with a special Agron Vasha



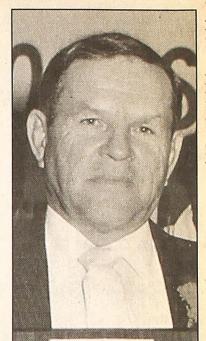
Richard L. Foy

Augie attended the University of Nebraska on an athletic scholarship where he was a three-year starter.

He played American Legion

While in the Armed Forces, Brewis played for the 11th Airborne Division.

forged the basis of his impeccable career as a sports offi-



Dick Brewis

Augie is president of the Southern Directory Company of Alabama. He and his wife, Joyce, have two sons and currently live in Decatur, Alabama.

Brewis has been involved in organized athletics since his days at St. Frances Xavier High School. He lettered in football, basketball and baseball and was named to the All-Catholic Division football team as a senior.

baseball for three years and played in the All-Star game at Briggs Stadium.

His sterling athletic career

He has served as a Michigan High School Athletic Association official for football, baseball, basketball and softball since 1959. He has been invited to work the following select games - four CYO championships: Catholic League 1994 and 1996 semifinals in softball; 1995-1997 fi-

nals softball; 1995 football

championship.

He has officiated MHSAA basketball tournaments for the past 20 years; baseball/softball tournaments for the past eight years and for his officiating Brewis was honored by the MHSAA for 30 years service in 1989 and was elected in 1984 to the Catholic League Hall of

Dick and his wife, Mary Lou, lived in Wayne for many years where they raised six children. They presently reside in Can-

Prep sports calendar Annapolis at Robichaud

Basketball Friday, Feb. 13

Inkster at Romulus Plymouth-Salem at John Glenn

Robichaud at Dearborn Highland Park at Belleville Willow Run at Wayne Memorial Northville at Plymouth-

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what it takes to play semiprofessional football, then this one is for you. The Wayne County

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Twisters are conducting an organizational meeting for the 1998 season this month. The meeting, open to all players 18 and older, will be

held at 2 p.m. on Feb. 28 at the Wayne-Westland YMCA, located at 827 Wayne Road, in Westland.

There is a \$20 registration fee.

The Twisters, who made the playoffs a year ago, have in their lineup a host of former All-Area high school football stars.

If you need more information, telephone 734-981-7141 or 313-359-3457 or 313-513-8204.

If you can't make it to the Feb. 28 meeting, then circle March 7.

Reality

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made the difference. Forward Bhavin Patel cashed in on a couple of feeds from Power to score a pair of layups, stretching Salem's lead to six-points in the stretch.

Salem's Aaron Rypkowski, who scored 11 points also after coming off the bench, and 6-7 Ben Szczepanski's 10 points, led the Rocks.

Mitchell finished with a game high 19 points for the

In the meantime, Glenn bounced back from a 55-52 setback at Farmington Hills Harrison on Tuesday to stop North Farmington 64-57 on Friday.

Because of injuries and the flu bug, Schuette had only eight players dressed for the North Farmington game.

But the eight, including the chipped in with double fig-Garden City transfer, Bill Fodder, were enough to beat NF.

Fodder, a junior guard, tossed in a career high 23 points and his presence in the lineup was a great boost for the Rockets who would have been difficult to find on the conference's title radar screen if they had fallen to the Raiders.

The 5-10 junior guard also was credited with two steals and four assists.

Fodder scored nine of the Rockets' 13 first-period points that lifted his team to a 13-9 lead.

Glenn never trailed in this one. The Westlanders were up 31-19 at the half before North made their bid.

Glenn offset Phil Watka's seven fourth-period points with clutch free throw shooting down the stretch when they capitalized on 13 of 18 charities in the final quarter.

Two other Glenn players

ures. Eric Jones drilled 21 points and Ty Haygood, who played a strong board game, tossed in 11 points. It was crunch time for the

Westlanders allowed the second-place Hawks to slip away 55-52 in the squeaker. Fodder again staked the Rockets to a 15-11 lead as he

Rockets at Harrison, but the

scored seven of his 15 points in the first period but the Westlanders just couldn't build on their lead. Harrison rallied behind

Jared Hopkins and outscored their visitors 18-11 to grab a 29-26 halftime advantage. The Hawks then increased their advantage (43-36) before Glenn made a last-ditch effort to catch up.

The Westlanders did manage to tie the score at 51 before the hosts broke loose with Hopkins' trey that clinched the victory.

Jones, who had 14 points,

and Fodder, with 13, were the only Glenn players to score in double figures. The Westlanders also received an excellent all-around performance from Reggie Spearmon.

Before hosting Salem Friday, Glenn traveled to Dearborn Tuesday night for a non-conference game. In the meantime, Salem entertained natural opponent Canton Tuesday night.

Canton split last week, beating winless Livonia Stevenson 60-40 as guard Joe Cortellini scored a season's high 30 points in the victory. But Friday night, the Chiefs dropped a heartbreaker 55-47 in overtime to Walled Lake Western.

Canton's conference record dipped to 3-4 on the year, while Western remains in contention with a 5-2 mark.

Canton's Dan McLean led all scorers with 18 points, while Ben Deward came up with 17 for Western.

Champs

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Rouge led 14-14 after one period, and stayed out in front 32-26 at the halfway mark.

But Wayne's Brian Williams got the Zebras' offense clicking effectively. Joined by teammates Karl Calloway and center Quentin Turner, the defending champ outscored their hosts 18-14 in the third period and then tied the score at 44 late in that quarter to create the turbulence for their final run.

Rouge wavered, but only momentarily. The Panthers replied with baskets from Brent Darby and Charles Kage and that broke Williams had his best outing in recent weeks as he pumped in

22 points to lead all scorers. Calloway finished with 14 and Turner knocked down 12 points for the Zebras, who were awarded four free throws and made three. In comparison, the Panthers had the advantage of a 13 of 15

night at the free throw line. Kage led the Panthers with 15 points. Teammates Duez Henderson and Rodney Hughes each scored 13, while Darby added

Out to atone for a last-second loss to Ypsi the first time around, Wayne again became the victim of a last-shot basket that decided the rematch between the two Red Division teams. The crucial series went something like this: After an Ypsi

time out, Derek Bird got the inbound pass, dribbled to the right to shake defender Brian Williams who slipped. Bird suddenly pulled up launched the ball from three-point range. The shot sank in the net as time expired, giving the

Braves a stunning 58-57 victory over the stunned champs. Up by 10 (45-35) as the fourth period began, Ypsi saw the lead dissipate as Shomari Dunn rallied the champs with eight of his 15 points in the final eight minutes. Ypsi scored the first basket of the quarter before Dunn took command.

Wayne had fallen behind 16-10 in the first period and managed to cut the Braves lead to 29-25 at the intermission before Bird and Andre Brooks came alive and led their team.

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The first-time around, the Eagles fell to Monroe 68-54, then put together a six-game winning streak which came to an end Tuesday night before the home crowd when Rouge avenged its earlier loss to the Eagles, 7974.

"We allowed them to built up a big lead and it took everything we had to attempt to come back. Unfortunately we never did,' DelGiudice said.

Brent Darby surfaced as Romulus's nemesis as he pumped in a game-high 24 points and dished off five assists in leading the Panthers to the all-important victory and a share of first place.

The pivotal period was the second for Romulus. The Eagles trailed by four (18-14) after the first period, but were outscored 26-15 in the second frame and fell behind 44-29 at the half.

That 15-point Romulus deficit stuck until early in the fourth period when the Eagles made a serious move to bridge the gap. Entering the final eight minutes, Romulus trailed 60-45, but Hicks came back with 11 of his 18 points in the last period to lift

the Eagles to within five points, but that was the closest the hosts Hicks' 18 points topped the Eagles while De Yampert scored 15

and Kirkland added 13. Myron Gray finished with 10 points. Along with Darby's 24, Duez Henderson and Rodney Hughes also hit in double figures. Henderson finished the game with 18 and Hughes, who scored six of Rouge's first seven points, wound up with 15.

The Eagles will be back on the home court Friday night playing host to an improved Inkster team. The Vikings posted their first victory in recent memory over Belleville last week, 71-65, for a historic first win in the Mega Conference Red Division. Two Viking players accounted for 36 of their team's points.

Guard Mike Williams fired in a game high 20 points and Allison contributed 16.

Belleville got 14 points from John Edwards. However, Friday night, the Vikings fell to Willow Run 63-57.

Museum presents black history

As part of its Legacy Theater Series, Plowshares Theater Company in conjunction with the Education Department of the Museum of African American History presents a lecture series investigating the African American Image as we approach the next millennium. Each lecture program will be 90 minutes in length, including a 30 minute question and answer period. Programming will be held at the Museum of African American History. Each lecture requires a \$5 fee; includes a continental break-

From 10 to 11:30 a.m., Saturday, February 14, Gloria House- Associate Professor of Humanities at Wayne State University- lectures on "Sankofa: The significant bond between African Americans and their ancestral traditions.' Since the 1960's, when she worked in the Southern civil rights movement, she has solidarity efforts. During the past four years, Dr. House has been Visiting Lecturer at the University of Witwatersrand in Johanneburg, South Africa. Her publications include two poetry collections from Broadside Press- Blood River (1983) and Rain Rituals (1990)- as well as, a book of sociopolitical commentary on the uses of environment in the United States, Tower and Dungeon: A study of Place and Power in America (1990).

Register in advance by paying \$5 per lecture at the Information Desk, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren at Brush, Detroit, MI 48201. Telephone: 313-494-5800. If space permits, you may also register on the day of the lec-

For more information on this lecture series, other Legacy Series programs, and the 1997-98 Plowshares season of plays, contact the Plowshares Theater Company at 313-872-0279

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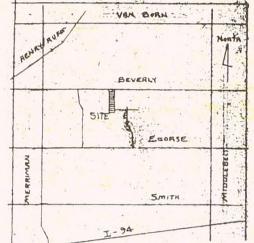
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CITY OF ROMULUS PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Tuesday, February 17, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485. The purpose of the meeting is to consider PC-007-02-98, a request for special land use approval for two air freight forwarding facilities in an M-1 (Light Industrial) zoned district. The subject property is approximately 2.93 acres on the south side of Beverly Road between Merriman and Middlebelt Roads, commonly know as 30675 Beverly Road.



All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Tuesday, February 17, 1998 and should be addressed to Bradley Raymond, Assistant Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-

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Cindy King Van Buren Township Clerk Published: Feb. 12, 1998

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Estate of Sharon Ann Updike, a/k/a Sharon A.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last

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BALL, GEORGE H. Age 68, passed away Dec

12, 1997. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Mary, children Janis, George Jr., Terry, Keith, William, Jarriett and Tony 1 brother, 1 sisters, 7 grandchildren, great grandchildren plus a host of family and friends. The services were held at Penn

formerly of Wayne-Canton Loving mother of Bonnie (Don) Reece. Grandmoth-er of Kim, Wendy, Holly and Elizabeth. Great grandmother of 4. Visitation was Feb. 8 at the Hary J. Will Funeral Home in Wayne. Funeral service was held Monday, Feb. 9 at the Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Milar officiating. Interment took place at Woodmere Ce-

BIRD, VIOLET L. (REECE) Age 97, of Belleville, passed away Jan. 30, 1998. Beloved wife of the late Rufus. Dear mother of Ralph (Arlane), Carolyn (Jim), Cyril, Rosalie (Harry), and the late Gerald. Mrs. Bird graduated from Spiceland Academy in Spiceland, Indiana in 1920 and attended Ball State Teacher's College. She worked in Belleville High School Library as an asst. to the Librarian for many years. Also surving are 1 sister, 16 grandchilren and 23 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 1 at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with interment at Mooreland Cemetery, In-

BONNER, SYLVESTER Age 71, passed away Dec. 24, 1997. He is survived

by his wife Rose, mother Elnora, 3 daughters, Betty, Audrey and Carolyn. 10 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, plus a host of family and friends. The services were held at Penn Elias Nhamo Mumbino Of

DETHLOFF, LUELLA K. Age 85, of Canton, passed away Feb. 2, 1998. Mrs.

Dethloff grew up on the family dairy at Ford and Lilley in Canton. The Dethloff family farmed from 1915 until the land was sold in 1958. She was a member of the Plymouth Grange, of which her parents helped build, she was a member of the Dyer Senior Center, where she loved to play bingo. She also enjoyed

gardening and crossword | (Sandra). Also survived by puzzles. Beloved wife of the late Harvey. Dear mother of Harvey (Evelyn), Robert (Eleanor), Richard (Sheryl), Virginia (William) and Cathryn Kalita. Also she is survived by 14 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren and 3 brothers. Services were held Feb. 7 from Vermeulen Funeral Home with intermen at Riverside Cemetery.

GRECA, CLEMENT M.

Age 61, of Romulus, passed away Feb. 3, 1998. Beloved husband of Donna. Dear father of Steve, Tony (Lisa), Linda (Randy), Cheryl (Kenny). Mr. Greca is also survived by 3 brothers, 1 sister and 9 grandchilren. Funeral services were held Feb. 7 at Crane Funeral Home in Romulus with interment at Romulus Cemetery.

HAFLER, JOHN

Age 74, of Romulus, 1998. Beloved husband of the late Winifred. Dear father of Carol. Donna and John. Also survived by sister, 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 6 from Uht Funeral Home in Westland with interment at

HART, MARIE J.

and Maurice, 5 grandchildren, 8 great grandchil-dren, 1 foster daughter Jeanette and a host of family and friends. The services were held at St. Clements Episcopol Church with the arrangements by Penn Funeral Home of Inskter.

JARVIS, RICHARD H.

Age 66, of Westland, passed away Feb. 3, 1998. Beloved husband of Vera. Loving father of Ke-vin, Ricky, Keith, Dennis, Rick, Pamela and Tammi. Also survived by 1 brother 2 sisters, 13 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren Services were held Feb. 6 from Uht Funeral Home of Westland with interment at Glenwood Cemetery.

KANTNER, ILEINE L. Age 72, of Westland,

passed away Jan. 29, 1998. Loving wife of the late John. Dearest mother of Carol, Sandra and the late John III. Also survived by 2 sisters, 1 brother, 3 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Services were held Jan. 31. Arrangements by the Uht Funeral Home in Westland with a private burial on Jan. 31.

MARTIN, LUKE Age 15, passed away Dec.

16, 1997. He leaves to moum his passing, his parents Doris and Curtis, sisters Tonay and Margeta and a host of family and friends. The services were held at Penn Funeral Home Chapel Dec. 23 with the interment at Westland

MCLEOD, EDITH M.

Age 84, of Sault Ste. Marie, passed away Feb. 1, 1998. Beloved wife of the larte Mahlon, Dearest mother of Charles, Stewart (Betty), Cecil, Thomas

2 brothers, 3 sisters, 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 7 at Crane Funeral Home with interment at Michigan Me-

MEYERS, ROBERT J. Age 43, of Plymouth, passed away Feb. 2, 1998. Mr. Meyers is sur-vived by his fiancee. Nancy R. Marek and her sons Jeremy and Gary. He is also survived by his daughter Staci and son Matthew, brothers Michael (Sally), Dennis (Lisa). Funeral Services were held Feb. 7, 1998 at Vermeulen

Trust 100 Funeral Home in

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MORLEY, MARK R. Age 35, of Sitka, Alaska. Survived by his parents, Charles and Edna. Also survived by sisters Robin Vamey, Donna Cameron, Sherry Stott, Krista and Julie Fantozzi, brothers Jeff, David, William and Scott Papke. He is also survived his grandmother ple Hartley. All brothers and sisters are Westland residents. Services were held Feb. 6 from Uht Funeral Home of Westland with interment at Riverside

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NOLEN, JERROLL L. Age 89, passed away Dec. Age 42, passed away Dec. 31, 1997. She leaves to 11, 1997. She wa the Activity Director and on the commission on aging for the City of Inkster. She moum her passing, father and stepmother Edward and Vivian, ex-father and leaves to cherish her passmother-in-law, Carl and Ann, 3 children, Arlandus, ing, her children Arlene Jenerol and Barbara, 6 sisters, 2 grandchildren, 3 family and friends. The services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. W.W. Davis Officiating.

OWENS, DEREK A.

Age 37, passed away Dec. 22, 1997. He leaves to cherish his memories, his parents, James and Erma Owens, and Hattie Owens, one daughter Danielle, 2 sisters, Pamela and Don-Juanna, 2 brothers, Courtney and Roger, grand-mother Leonora and grandparents Rosa and Sam Cannon plus a host of family and friends. The services were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home, and held at Amity Baptist

RIX, GILBERT H.

Age 87, of Plymouth, passed away Feb. 3, 1998. Graduated from Armada High School. Atfended the University of Cincinnati majoring in Chemical Engineering. He was a radio and TV engineer at WWJ, a member of the original WWJ (now WDIV) television crew as an engineer and technical director. Worked for WWJ for 31 years from 1944 to 1975, and a resident of Plymouth since 1984. Beloved husband of Marie. Dear father of Douglas (Jane), Carolyn (Tom) and Kathleen (Randy), Patricia (Terry). Also he was the grandfather of 5 and great grandfather of 2.

SANDUSKY, STEVE E. Age 46, passed away Dec. 16, 1997. He leaves behind his children, Julie and Binky, 1 grandson, 7 brothers, 1 sister, plus a host of family and friends. The

services were held at Penn

Funeral Home.

SIBOLOSKI, LYMAN S. Age 25, of Canton, passe away Feb. 1, 1998. Dear est son of Lymand and Thelma. Loving brother of Tammy Fay. Dearest grandson of Elsie Siboloski and Nannie Spivey. Services were held Feb. 4 from Uht Funeral Home of Westland with interment at Michigan Memorial Park.

SMITH, ELEANOR V.

Age 81. of Detroit, passed away Jan. 23, 1998. Survived by her loving children, Patricia (Charles) Ronald and Harold. Also she is survived by 18 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 7 from the Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland with interment at Oakland Hills Cemetery.

TAYLOR, HELEN E.

Age 71, of Wayne, passed away Feb. 2, 1998. Beloved wife of the late Gar land. Dearest mother of Robert, Brenda and Phyllis and the late James. Also survived by 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 4 from the Uht Funeral Home of Westland. Interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens.

TORRES, BRYNNA C. Age 10, of Belleville. Passed away Jan. 31, 1998 at Motts Children Hospital. Dear daughter of Richard and Mary Rae. Granddaughter of Mary B (Kirkpatrick) Lee and her grandma Aunt Eloise (Harold). Survived by her uncles Jeffrey (Janice) Victor, Daniel (Diane), Jose (Cindy), aunts Juanita, Julie (Jose), Eloisa (Vince), Irene (Randy). Her exteneded family Dennis and Debby Hooper, her best friends Luis Gonzales and Laurie Hooper. Also many cousins. She was a 5th grade student at Brick Elementary. Also was a member of Girl Scout Troop #491 of Huron Valley Council. Services were held at Trinity Episcopal Church with arrangments by David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville. Cremation rites were accord-

TOWNSEND, OSSIE

Age 61, passed away Dec. 29, 1997. He leaves to moum his passing, daughter DeVona, brother Maese, sister Irma, 3 nephews, 6 nieces, Mary, and a host of family and friends. The services were held at Penn Funeral Home, with Brother Charles A Wilson, Officiat-

WALKER, BOBBY Age 63, passed away Dec.

30, 1997. He is survived by children Marva Kinard, Janice, Bobby Jr., Kevin and Carol. One brother, George Jr. 2 sisters, Evelyn and Gaynell, 21 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren plus a host of family and friends. The services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. Lest er Williams Jr. Officiating.

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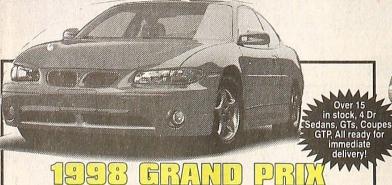
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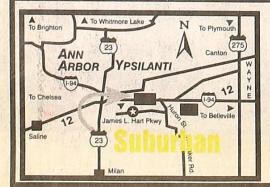


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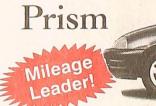


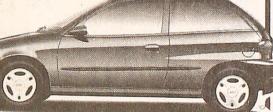


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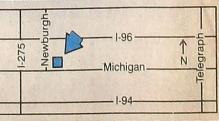
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